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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-271475 [23]

WPIDS

DOC. NO. CPI: C2000-082967

TITLE: Novel nucleic acids encoding pancreatic ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium***

channels used for regulation of ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** and treatment of type II diabetes.

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NOVELTY - An isolated pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channel*** (I) is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(1) an isolated nucleic acid molecule (NAM) (II) encoding (I);
 (2) an antisense NAM (III) complementary to (II);

(3) a cell comprising (III);
 (4) an expression vector comprising (III);
 (5) a method (A) of decreasing expression of a (I) in a host cell;

(6) a ribozyme (IV) having a recognition sequence complementary to a portion of (II);
 (7) a cell comprising (IV);
 (8) an expression vector comprising (IV);
 (9) a cell comprising (II);
 (10) an expression vector comprising (II);
 (11) a method (B) of increasing expression of (II) in a host cell,

comprising introducing (I) into the cell;
 (12) a method (C) of screening a substance for the ability to modify the function of (I);
 (13) a method (D) of obtaining DNA encoding (II);
 (14) a DNA oligomer capable of hybridizing to (I);

(15) a method (E) of detecting presence of a pancreatic ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** in a sample;
 (16) an antibody (V) specific for (II); and
 (17) a method of detecting the presence of (I) in a sample,

comprising contacting the sample with (V) and detecting the complex formed.

ACTIVITY - antidiabetic.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - The polypeptide functions as a pancreatic ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel***.

USE - The pancreatic ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** polynucleotides and polypeptides are used for treating diseases associated with abnormal expression or function of ***T***.

They are especially used for treating type II diabetes (claimed). They are used in methods for

modifying insulin secretion by pancreatic beta cells, for modifying basal calcium levels in cells, for modifying the action of potential L type

calcium ***channels*** in cells, for modifying pancreatic cell

death, for modifying pancreatic beta cell proliferation, and for modifying calcium influx through L type ***calcium*** ***channels*** in

cells (all claimed). The polypeptides are used to produce antibodies,

which can be used in assays to identify cells or tissues which express pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channels***, or for detecting pancreatic ***T*** -

type ***calcium***

channels in samples. Antisense sequences and ribozymes can be used to decrease expression of pancreatic ***T*** -

type

calcium ***channels***. Inhibitors and ***antagonists*** (identified using the polypeptides of the invention) can be used to decrease the activity of pancreatic ***T*** -

type

calcium ***channels***

ADVANTAGE - No stated advantage given in the specification.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure is a schematic illustration

representing the partial rat genomic nucleotide composition between domains III and IV. Genomic DNA contained an exon specific to alpha 1G

(shaded circle) and an exon specific to the ***alpha*** ***1***

subunit of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ deduced from INS-1 (shaded rectangle). Other exons (open rectangles) are identical between the two

cDNAs. The bold letters indicate the nucleotide coding Gly1667.

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L5 ANSWER 2 OF 21 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS DUPLICATE 1

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-447682 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV20000447682

TITLE: Influence of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ (mibebradil) and Cl- (indanyloxyacetic acid 94) channel ***antagonists*** on ***alpha***

-adrenoceptor

mediated contractions in rat aorta.

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SOURCE: Canadian Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology, (September, 2000) Vol. 78, No. 9, pp. 714-720, print.

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LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English; French

AB The effects of the ***T*** - ***type*** and L-type Ca2+ channel ***antagonists***, mibebradil and nifedipine, respectively, and those of

a Cl- channel ***antagonist***, indanyloxyacetic acid 94, on mechanical responses elicited by selective activation of ***alpha***

-adrenoceptors using cirazoline were examined in rat isolated aortic rings. The presence of mibebradil (300 nM), indanyloxyacetic acid, 94 (30

muM) and nifedipine (300 nM) alone inhibited mechanical responses elicited by cirazoline.

The concentration-response curves to cirazoline were displaced to the right with significant increases in the EC50 and

significant depressions of the maximal responses in the presence of the individual agents mibebradil, indanyloxyacetic acid 94, or nifedipine. A

combination of mibebradil and indanyloxyacetic acid 94 further inhibited the mechanical activity produced by cirazoline. The further reduction in

the maximal response to cirazoline, in the presence of mibebradil and nifedipine, was insignificant when compared with the effects of nifedipine

alone. In addition, maximal mechanical responses produced by cirazoline were not significantly affected by a combination of nifedipine and

indanyloxyacetic acid 94 when compared with either nifedipine alone or mibepradil and indanyloxyacetic acid 94 combined. Our current findings indicate that mibepradil, indanyloxyacetic acid 94, and nifedipine can inhibit cirazoline-induced contractions to a varying degree. Moreover, based on our present data it would be reasonable to suggest that the contribution of ***T*** - ***type*** versus L-type Ca²⁺ channels to contractile responses obtained with cirazoline are approximately 21% and 35%, respectively, of the Emax. It would appear that L-type Ca²⁺ channels play a greater role in processes that are involved in excitation-contraction coupling subsequent to stimulation of ***alpha1***-adrenoceptors. In addition, Cl⁻ channels also appear to be involved in the process of contraction following ***alpha1***-adrenoceptor activation.

L5 ANSWER 3 OF 21 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2001 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000352205 EMBASE
TITLE: Mibepradil block of cloned ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels***.
AUTHOR: Martin R.L.; Lee J.-H.; Cribbs L.L.; Perez-Reyes E.; Hanck D.A.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dr. D.A. Hanck, Cardiology (MC6094), University of Chicago, 5841 South Maryland Ave., Chicago, IL 60637, United States.
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COUNTRY: United States
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FILE SEGMENT: 030 Pharmacology 037 Drug Literature Index
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
AB Mibepradil is a tetralol derivative chemically distinct from other ***calcium*** ***channel***. ***antagonists***. It is a very effective antihypertensive agent that is thought to achieve its action via a higher affinity block for low-voltage-activated (T) than for high-voltage-activated (L) ***calcium*** ***channels***. Estimates of affinity using Ba²⁺ as the charge carrier have predicted a 10- to 15-fold preference of mibepradil for T channels over L channels. However, T channel IC₅₀ values are reported to be approx. 1 .mu.M, which is much higher than expected for clinical efficacy because relevant blood levels of this drug are approx. 50 nM. We compared the affinity for mibepradil of the newly cloned T channel isoforms, .alpha.1G, .alpha.1H, and .alpha.1I with an L channel, .alpha.1C. In 10 mM Ba²⁺, mibepradil blocked in the micromolar range and with 12- to 13-fold greater affinity for T channels than for L channels (approx. 1 .mu.M versus 13/.mu.M). When 2 mM Ca²⁺ was used as the charge carrier, the drug was more efficacious; the IC₅₀ for .alpha.1G shifted to 270 nM and for .alpha.1H shifted to 140 nM, 4.5- and 9-fold higher affinity than in 10 mM Ba. The data are consistent with the idea that mibepradil competes for its binding site on the channel with the permeant species and that Ba²⁺ is a more effective

competitor than Ca²⁺. Raising temperature to 35 degree C reduced affinity (IC₅₀ 792 nM). Reducing channel availability to half increased affinity (approx. 70 nM). This profile of mibepradil affinity makes these channels good candidates for the physiological target of this antihypertensive agent.

L5 ANSWER 4 OF 21 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 2
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000127580 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20127580
TITLE: Determinants of voltage-dependent inactivation affect Mibepradil block of ***calcium*** ***channels***.
AUTHOR: Jimenez C; Bourinet E; Leuranguer V; Richard S; Snutch T P; Nargeot J
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Genetique Humaine, CNRS UPR1142, Montpellier, France.
SOURCE: NEUROPHARMACOLOGY, (2000) 39 (1) 1-10.
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PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 200004
ENTRY WEEK: 20000404
AB The voltage gated ***calcium*** ***channel*** family is a major target for a range of therapeutic drugs. Mibepradil (Ro 40-5967) belongs to a new chemical class of these molecules which differs from other Ca²⁺ ***antagonists*** by its ability to potently block ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels. However, this molecule has also been shown to inhibit other Ca²⁺ channel subtypes. To further analyze the mechanism governing the Ca²⁺ channel-Mibepradil interaction, we examined the effect of Mibepradil on various recombinant Ca²⁺ channels expressed in mammalian cells from their cloned cDNAs, using Ca²⁺ as the permeant ion at physiological concentration. Expression of alpha1A, alpha1C, and alpha1E in tsA 201 cells resulted in Ca²⁺ currents with functional characteristics closely related to those of their native counterparts. Mibepradil blocked alpha1A and alpha1E with a K_d comparable to that reported for ***T*** - ***type*** channels, but had a lower affinity (approximately 30-fold) for alpha1C. For each channel, inhibition by Mibepradil was consistent with high-affinity binding to the inactivated state. Modulation of the voltage-dependent inactivation properties by the nature of the coexpressed beta subunit or the ***alpha1*** splice variant altered block at the Mibepradil receptor site. Therefore, we conclude that the tissue and sub-cellular localization of ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunits as well as their specific associations are essential parameters to understand the in vivo effects of Mibepradil.

L5 ANSWER 5 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:377851 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 131:29119
TITLE: Low-voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channel*** proteins and cDNAs encoding them and the development of ***calcium*** ***channel*** blockers
INVENTOR(S): Williams, Mark; Stauderman,

Kenneth; Harpold, Michael; Hans, Michael; Urrutia, Arturo; Washburn, Mark S.
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Sibia Neurosciences, Inc., USA
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 171 pp.
CODEN: PLXXD2
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
LANGUAGE: English
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1
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19981203
AB cDNAs for alternative splicing forms of the ***alpha1*** ***channel*** subunit of the ***T*** - ***type*** or low-voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channel*** are cloned and characterized. The cDNAs may be used in the development of systems for screening for effectors of the ***calcium*** ***channel*** for therapeutic use. Candidate clones were first generated by PCR using degenerate primers targeted against sequences encoding conserved regions of the protein. A series of overlapping cDNAs encoding two .alpha.1H subtypes were obtained and full-length cDNAs constructed. The electrophysiol. and pharmacol. of the channels was studied in Xenopus oocytes.

L5 ANSWER 6 OF 21 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 3
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999127945 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99127945
TITLE: Structure and functional characterization of a novel human low-voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channel***.
AUTHOR: Williams M E; Washburn M S; Hans M; Urrutia A; Brust P F; Prodanovich P; Harpold M M; Stauderman K A
CORPORATE SOURCE: SIBIA Neurosciences Inc., La Jolla, California 92037, USA.
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROCHEMISTRY, (1999 Feb) 72 (2) 791-9.
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LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
OTHER SOURCE: GENBANK-AF073931

ENTRY MONTH: 199904

AB We have isolated and characterized overlapping cDNAs encoding a novel, voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channel ***alpha1*** subunit, alpha1H, from a human medullary thyroid carcinoma cell line. The alpha1H subunit is structurally similar to previously described ***alpha1*** subunits. Northern blot analysis indicates that alpha1H mRNA is expressed throughout the brain, primarily in the amygdala, caudate nucleus, and putamen, as well as in several nonneuronal tissues, with relatively high levels in the liver, kidney, and heart. Ba²⁺ currents recorded from human embryonic kidney 293 cells transiently expressing alpha1H activated at relatively hyperpolarized potentials (-50 mV), rapidly inactivated ($\tau = 17$ ms), and slowly deactivated. Similar results were observed in Xenopus oocytes expressing alpha1H. Single-channel measurements in human embryonic kidney 293 cells revealed a single-channel conductance of approximately 9 pS. These channels are blocked by Ni²⁺ (IC₅₀ = 6.6 microM) and the ***T*** - ***type*** channel ***antagonists*** mibepradil (approximately 50% block at 1 microM) and amiloride (IC₅₀ = 167 microM). Thus, alpha1H-containing channels exhibit biophysical and pharmacological properties characteristic of low voltage-activated, or ***T*** - ***type*** , Ca²⁺ channels.

L5 ANSWER 7 OF 21 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS DUPLICATE 4

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:85729 BIOSIS DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV20000085729

TITLE: Determinants of voltage-dependent inactivation affect

Mibepradil block of ***calcium***

channels

AUTHORS(S): Jimenez, Cristina; Bourinet, Emmanuel; Leuranguer, Valerie;

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LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB The voltage gated ***calcium***

channel family is a major

target for a range of therapeutic drugs. Mibepradil (Ro 40-5967) belongs

to a new chemical class of these molecules which differs from other Ca²⁺

antagonists by its ability to potently block ***T*** -

type Ca²⁺ channels. However, this molecule has also been shown to

inhibit other Ca²⁺ channel subtypes. To further analyze the mechanism

governing the Ca²⁺ channel-Mibepradil interaction, we examined the effect

of Mibepradil on various recombinant Ca²⁺ channels expressed in mammalian

cells from their cloned cDNAs, using Ca²⁺ as the permeant ion at

physiological concentration. Expression of alpha1A, alpha1C and alpha1E in

tsA 201 cells resulted in Ca²⁺ currents with functional characteristics

closely related to those of their native counterparts. Mibepradil blocked

alpha1A and alpha1E with a K_d comparable to that reported for ***T*** -

type channels, but had a lower affinity

(apprx30-fold) for alpha1C. For each channel, inhibition by Mibepradil was consistent with high-affinity binding to the inactivated state. Modulation of the voltage-dependent inactivation properties by the nature of the coexpressed beta subunit or the ***alpha1*** splice variant altered block at the Mibepradil receptor site. Therefore, we conclude that the tissue and sub-cellular localization of ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunits as well as their specific associations are essential parameters to understand the in vivo effects of Mibepradil.

L5 ANSWER 8 OF 21 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:866265

SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 136YV

TITLE: Selective peptide ***antagonist*** of the class E

calcium ***channel*** from the venom of the tarantula *Hysterocrates gigas*

AUTHOR: Newcomb R (Reprint); Szoke B; Palma A; Wang G; Chen X H; Hopkins W; Cong R; Miller J; Urge L; TarczyHornoch K; Loo J A; Dooley D J; Nadasdi L; Tsien R W; Lemos J; Miljanich G

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FILE SEGMENT: LIFE

LANGUAGE: English

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*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE

ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

AB We describe the first potent and selective blocker of the class E

Ca²⁺-channel, SNX-482, a novel 41 amino acid peptide present in the venom of the African tarantula, *Hysterocrates gigas*, was identified through its

ability to inhibit human class E Ca²⁺ channels stably expressed in a mammalian cell line. An IC₅₀ of 15-30 nM was obtained for block of the

class E Ca²⁺ channel, using either patch clamp electrophysiology or

K⁺-evoked Ca²⁺ flux. At low nanomolar concentrations, SNX-482 also blocked

a native resistant or R-type Ca²⁺ current in rat neurohypophyseal nerve terminals, but concentrations of 200-500 nM had no effect on R-type Ca²⁺

cut- rents in several types of rat central neurons. The peptide has the sequence

GVDKAGCR YMFGGCSVNDCCPRLGCHSLFSY CAWDLTFSD-OH and is homologous to

the spider peptides gramma toxin S1A and hanatoxin, both peptides with very different ion channel blocking selectivities. No

effect of SNX-482 was

observed on the following ion channel activities:

Na⁺ or K⁺ currents in

several cultured cell types (up to 500 nM); K⁺ current through cloned

potassium channels Kv1.1 and Kv1.4 expressed in Xenopus oocytes (up to 140 nM); Ca²⁺ flux through L- and ***T*** -

type Ca²⁺ channels in an anterior pituitary cell line (GH3, up to 500 nM); and Ba²⁺ current through class A Ca²⁺ channels expressed in Xenopus oocytes (up to 280 nM).

A weak effect was noted on Ca²⁺ current through cloned and stably

expressed class B Ca²⁺ channels (IC₅₀ > 500 nM).

The unique selectivity of SNX-482 suggests its usefulness in studying the diversity, function, and

pharmacology of class E and/or R-type Ca²⁺ channels.

L5 ANSWER 9 OF 21 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 5

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998420198 MEDLINE DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98420198

TITLE: Mechanisms of spontaneous cytosolic Ca²⁺ transients in differentiated human neuronal cells.

AUTHOR: Gao Z Y; Chen M; Collins H W; Matschinsky F M; Lee V M; Wolf B A

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SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE, (1998 Jul) 10 (7)

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LANGUAGE: English

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ENTRY MONTH: 199812

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AB We have studied Ca²⁺ homeostasis in a unique model of human neurons, the

NT2N cell, which differentiates from a human teratocarcinoma cell line,

NTera2/C1.D1 by retinoic acid treatment. When perfused with Krebs-HEPES buffer containing 2.5 mM CaCl₂, fura-2 loaded

NT2N cells produced spontaneous cytosolic Ca²⁺ oscillations, or Ca²⁺ transients. These

cytosolic Ca²⁺ transients were not blocked by ***antagonists*** of glutamate (6-cyano-7-nitroquinoxaline-2,3-dione and D(-)-amino-5-

phosphonopentanoic acid) or muscarinic (atropine) receptors. Omission of

extracellular Ca²⁺ completely abolished Ca²⁺ oscillations and decreased

the average Ca²⁺ level from 106 +/- 14 nM to 59 +/- 8 nM. Addition of the

L-type Ca²⁺ channel blocker nifedipine (1 or 10 microM) or of the N-type

inhibitor omega-conotoxin GVIA (5 microM)

significantly, although incompletely, suppressed Ca²⁺ oscillations, while omega-conotoxin MVIIIC (5 microM), a selective ***antagonist*** of P- and Q-channels, had no

effect. Ni²⁺, at 100 microM, a concentration selective for ***T*** -

type channels, did not inhibit Ca²⁺ transients. Non-specific

blockage of Ca²⁺ channels by higher concentrations of Ni²⁺ (2-5 mM) or Co²⁺ (1 mM) abolished Ca²⁺ oscillations completely. The endoplasmic

reticulum Ca²⁺-ATPase inhibitor, thapsigargin (1 microM), slightly

decreased Ca^{2+} oscillation frequency, and induced a small transitory increase in the average cytosolic Ca^{2+} concentration. The mRNAs of L- (alpha1D subunit) and N-type (alpha1B subunit) Ca^{2+} channel were present in NT2N cells, while that of a Ca^{2+} channel (alpha1B subunit) was not present in the NT2N cells as shown by reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction. In conclusion, NT2N neuronal cells generate cytosolic Ca^{2+} oscillations mainly by influx of extracellular Ca^{2+} through multiple channels, which include L- and N-type channels, and do not require activation of glutamate or muscarinic receptors.

L5 ANSWER 10 OF 21 MEDLINE

DUPPLICATE 6
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1990055409 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99055409
TITLE: Voltage dependent Ca^{2+} channels in mammalian spermatozoa.
AUTHOR: Benoff S
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University School of Medicine, Manhasset, New York 11030,
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CONTRACT NUMBER: ES 06100 (NIEHS)
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Journal code: CUE. ISSN: 1093-4715.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
General Review; (REVIEW)
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LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199903
ENTRY WEEK: 19990301
AB Calcium influx is an absolute requirement for the physiological acrosome reaction in sperm from all sources examined, both invertebrate and mammalian. Pharmacological studies suggest that the major channel in the sperm head plasma membrane responsible for modulating calcium entry and intracellular ionized calcium levels could be either an L-type (a class of high voltage-activated) or a Ca^{2+} - voltage-activated) voltage-dependent Ca^{2+} channel.

Patch clamp analysis of calcium currents in immature spermatogenic cells demonstrates the presence of Ca^{2+} - type currents.

Therefore, an argument has been put forth that the acrosome reaction of ejaculated sperm is regulated by a Ca^{2+} - type Ca^{2+} channel. However, indirect analysis of calcium currents in mature sperm after transfer of ion channels to planar lipid

bilayers detects three current types, including that similar, but not identical, to an L-type channel, but no Ca^{2+} - type currents. Molecular cloning of the Ca^{2+} - type pore forming subunit of Ca^{2+} channel expressed in the male reproductive tract and in ejaculated sperm has resolved this

controversy, demonstrating the existence of only high voltage-activated channels. Further analysis of the Ca^{2+} - type subunit isoform from rat and human testis and sperm suggests that, as a result of

alternate splicing, this L-type Ca^{2+} channel could produce calcium currents that were T-like, e.g., transient, rapidly inactivating with slow deactivation. Multiple splice variants of this isoform were detected in human testis, suggesting a correlation with intra-individual variation in the ability of sperm to undergo an induced acrosome reaction and with male infertility. These variants could be developed as useful biomarkers for susceptibility to environmental and occupational toxicants. Knowledge of Ca^{2+} channels structure will also contribute to design of new male contraceptives based on existing Ca^{2+} channel antagonists.

L5 ANSWER 11 OF 21 MEDLINE

DUPPLICATE 7
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998355943 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98355943
TITLE: Electrophysiological properties of neonatal rat ventricular myocytes with Ca^{2+} -adrenergic-induced hypertrophy.
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AB The electrophysiology of neonatal rat ventricular myocytes and without hypertrophy has not been characterized. The Ca^{2+} -adrenergic agonist phenylephrine induced hypertrophy in

neonatal rat ventricular myocytes. After 48 h of exposure to 20 μ M phenylephrine, cell surface area of hypertrophied myocytes was 44% larger

than control. Action potential duration was significantly longer in

hypertrophy than in control. There was an increase in L-type Ca^{2+} current

in control after 48 h in culture, but current density was significantly

less in hypertrophy (-4.7 ± 0.8 hypertrophy vs. -10.7 ± 1.2 control

pA/pF , $n = 22$, $P < 0.05$). Ca^{2+} current was not different. The alpha-adrenergic antagonist prazosin

blocked the hypertrophy and the chronic effect of phenylephrine on L-type

Ca^{2+} current. Transient outward K^{+} current density was decreased 70% in

hypertrophy and was blocked with 4-aminopyridine. No change in Na^{+} current

density was observed. Staurosporine, a protein kinase C inhibitor,

eliminated the hypertrophy and the effect on L-type Ca^{2+} current. These

studies showed that phenylephrine-induced hypertrophy occurred via the

Ca^{2+} -adrenergic pathway and caused electrophysiological changes and effects on ion channel expression.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900053497
TITLE: The safety of Ca^{2+} channel blockers.

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ISSN: 0160-9289.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

AB Ca^{2+} channel blockers are widely used as an effective treatment for hypertension and angina.

Several studies have

raised questions about their safety, suggesting that Ca^{2+} channel blockers can increase the rates of myocardial infarction

(MI) and death, particularly in patients with heart disease. Reviews of

these studies have uncovered serious methodological shortcomings or have

found them restricted to short-acting drugs, frequently at high doses or

used inappropriately. One study was based on old data regarding only

short-acting nifedipine, which has never been indicated for patients who have suffered an MI or unstable angina. A case-control study of

short-acting verapamil, diltiazem, and nifedipine suggested an increased

MI rate was confounded by the higher rates of diabetes and preexisting

heart disease in the patients treated with Ca^{2+} channel blockers. A third study reported significantly decreased

survival only in patients taking short-acting nifedipine; in most of the cases reported, blood pressure was not controlled. While these studies

alert us to the limitations of short-acting Ca^{2+} channel blockers and the necessity of considering side effects

such as neurohormonal stimulation, a number of more recent, better-controlled studies have not confirmed increased risk with Ca^{2+} channel blockers when appropriately employed.

Ca^{2+} channel blockers should still be considered first-line therapy in appropriately selected patients with hypertension or angina.

L5 ANSWER 13 OF 21 MEDLINE

DUPPLICATE 8
ACCESSION NUMBER: 96018848 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96018848
TITLE: Voltage-dependent blockade of diverse types of voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channels expressed in Xenopus oocytes by the Ca^{2+} channel antagonist mibebradil (Ro 40-5967).

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SOURCE: MOLECULAR

PHARMACOLOGY, (1995 Sep) 48 (3) 540-9.

Journal code: NGR. ISSN: 0026-895X.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199601

AB Four different types of Ca^{2+} channel Ca^{2+} channel subunits, representing the major classes of voltage-gated Ca^{2+}

channels, were individually coexpressed along with alpha 2/delta and beta 2b subunits in *Xenopus* oocytes. These subunits (and the encoded channel types and major tissues of origin) included alpha 1C (L-type, cardiac), alpha 1B (N-type, central nervous system), alpha 1A (P/Q-type, central nervous system), and alpha 1E (most likely R-type, central nervous system). Divalent cation currents through these channels (5 mM Ba²⁺) were evaluated with the two-microelectrode voltage-clamp technique. The expressed channels were compared with regard to their responses to a structurally novel, nondihydropyridine compound, mibefradil (Ro 40-5967). In the micromolar concentration range, this drug exerted clear inhibitory effects on each of the four channel types, reducing divalent cation current at all test potentials, with the non-L-type channels being more sensitive to inhibition than the L-type channels under fixed experimental conditions.

For all channel types, mibefradil was a much more effective inhibitor at more depolarized holding potentials, suggesting tighter binding of the drug to the inactivated state than to the resting state. The difference in apparent affinities of resting and inactivated states of the channels, calculated based on a modulated receptor hypothesis, was 30-70-fold. In addition, the time course of decay of Ca²⁺ channel current was accelerated in the presence of drug, consistent with open channel block. The effect of increasing stimulation frequency was tested for L-type channels and was found to greatly enhance the degree of inhibition by mibefradil, consistent with promotion of block by channel opening and inactivation.

Allowing for state-dependent interactions, the drug concentrations found to block L-, N-, Q-, and R-type channels by 50% are at least 10-fold higher than half-blocking levels previously reported for ***T***-type*** channels in vascular smooth muscle cells under similar experimental conditions. This may help explain the ability of the drug to spare working myocardium (strongly negative resting potential, dominance of L-type channels in their resting state) while reducing contraction in blood vessels (presumably involving ***T***-type*** channels or partially inactivated L-type channels). Thus, mibefradil is a new addition to the family of nonselective organic Ca²⁺ channel inhibitors, as exemplified by bepridil and fluspirilene, and may prove useful as an experimental tool for studying diverse physiological events initiated by Ca²⁺ influx. It complements classes of drugs with relatively selective effects on L-type channels, as exemplified by nifedipine and diltiazem.

L5 ANSWER 14 OF 21 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R) ACCESSION NUMBER: 95:30249 SCISEARCH THE GENUINE ARTICLE: PX343 TITLE: THE CA²⁺-CHANNEL BLOCKER RO-40-5967 BLOCKS DIFFERENTLY ***T*** - ***TYPE*** AND L-TYPE CA²⁺ CHANNELS AUTHOR: MEHRKE G; ZONG X G (Reprint); FLOCKERZI V; HOFMANN F CORPORATE SOURCE: TECH UNIV MUNICH, INST PHARMAKOL & TOXIKOL, BIEDERSTEINERSTR 29, D-80802

MUNICH, GERMANY (Reprint); TECH UNIV MUNICH, INST PHARMAKOL & TOXIKOL, D-80802 MUNICH, GERMANY COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: GERMANY SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (DEC 1994) Vol. 271, No. 3, pp. 1483-1488. ISSN: 0022-3565. DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal FILE SEGMENT: LIFE LANGUAGE: ENGLISH REFERENCE COUNT: 32 *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS* AB The effects of Ro 40-5967, a nondihydropyridine Ca²⁺ channel blocker, on low-voltage activated (***T*** - ***type***) and high-voltage activated (L-type) Ca²⁺ channels were compared. L-type barium currents were measured in Chinese hamster ovary cells stably transfected with the ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit of the class Cb Ca²⁺ channel. ***type*** barium currents were investigated in human medullary thyroid carcinoma cells. The Ba²⁺ currents of human medullary thyroid carcinoma cells were transient, activated at a threshold potential of -50 mV with the maximum at -14 +/- 3.2 mV and blocked by micromolar Ni²⁺. The T- and L-type current inactivated with time constants of 33.4 +/- 4.1 and 416 +/- 26 msec at maximum barium currents, respectively. Ro 40-5967 inhibited reversibly the T- and L-type currents with IC50 values of 2.7 and 18.6 μ M, respectively. The inhibition of the L-type current was voltage-dependent, whereas that of the ***T***-type*** current was not. Ro 40-5967 blocked ***T***-type*** current already at a holding potential of -100 mV. The different types of block, i.e., voltage-dependent vs. tonic block, may contribute to the pharmacological profile of Ro 40-5967 in intact animals.

L5 ANSWER 15 OF 21 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 9 ACCESSION NUMBER: 95088917 MEDLINE DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95088917 TITLE: Effects of a new class of calcium ***antagonists***, SR33557 (fantofarone) and SR33805, on neuronal voltage-activated Ca²⁺ channels. AUTHOR: Romeo G; Lazdunski M CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Pharmacologie Moleculaire et Cellulaire, Valbonne, France. SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (1994 Dec) 271 (3) 1348-52. Journal code: JP3. ISSN: 0022-3565. PUB. COUNTRY: United States LANGUAGE: English FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals ENTRY MONTH: 199503 AB SR33557 (fantofarone) and SR33805 are structurally novel calcium ***antagonists*** that bind selectively to the ***alpha*** ***1*** -subunit of the L-type Ca²⁺ channel at a site distinct from the classical 1,4-dihydropyridine, phenylalkylamine and benzothiazepine sites but in allosteric interactions with them. Blocking effects of fantofarone and SR33805 on the different types of voltage-activated Ca²⁺ currents have been investigated with the whole-cell patch-clamp method in chick dorsal

root ganglion neurons (for T-, L- and N-type currents) and in rat cerebellar Purkinje neurons (for P-type current) in primary culture. Neuronal L-type Ca²⁺ channels are blocked totally by fantofarone and SR33805 in the microM range of concentration as in skeletal muscle and cardiac cells at a holding membrane potential of -80 mV. The sequence of efficacy is SR33805 (IC50 = 26 nM) > fantofarone (IC50 = 0.35 microM). N- and P-type channels are not very sensitive to fantofarone and SR33805 (IC50 approximately 5 microM). The ***T***-type*** channel is not affected by these drugs.

L5 ANSWER 16 OF 21 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2001 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V. ACCESSION NUMBER: 95005636 EMBASE DOCUMENT NUMBER: 1995005636 TITLE: [Molecular diversity of ***calcium*** ***channels***] From gene to function. DIVERSITE MOLECULAIRE DES CANAUX CALCIQUES: DU GENE A LA FONCTION. AUTHOR: Nargeot J.; Charnet P. CORPORATE SOURCE: Ct. Rech. Biochimie / Macromoleculaire, Cnrs UPR 9008, Inserm U. 249, BP 5051,34033 Montpellier, France SOURCE: Medecine/Sciences, (1994) 10/12 (1293-1308). ISSN: 0767-0974 CODEN: MSMSE4 COUNTRY: France DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review FILE SEGMENT: 029 Clinical Biochemistry 037 Drug Literature Index LANGUAGE: French SUMMARY LANGUAGE: French; English AB Recent studies have revealed the molecular and functional diversity of voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels***. Electrophysiological and pharmacological experiments on various cell types have provided a way of characterizing a Low Voltage Activated (LVA) or ***T***-type*** calcium*** channels***. LVA Ca²⁺ channels have fast kinetics and no specific ligands while HVA Ca²⁺ channels have been identified mainly by the use of specific toxins, and named L, N, P and Q. They are blocked by dihydropyridines, omega-CgT-GVIA, omega-Aga-IVA and omega-CmT-MVIIc, respectively. Biochemical studies have revealed that skeletal muscle Ca²⁺ channels are composed of a pore-forming ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit and several associated subunits (alpha₂-delta, beta, and gamma). Several ***alpha*** ***1*** subunits have been cloned from various tissues and are encoded by at least six genes. Their expression in *Xenopus* oocytes or in mammalian cells induces ***calcium*** ***channel*** currents, the properties of which seem to correspond to the different Ca²⁺ channels identified in various cells. However, it has been suggested that further diversity may be provided by the addition of auxiliary subunits and particularly the beta₁ subunits which are thought to be associated to most of the 9₁ subunits. beta₁ subunits encoded by at least four genes (beta₁, beta₂, beta₃, beta₄) expressed in the nervous system and other tissues enhance Ca²⁺ channel activity and are able to modify both electrophysiological and pharmacological properties. However, a differential

effect on calcium current inactivation has been observed between the different isoforms (.beta.1, .beta.2, .beta.3) and their splice variants (.beta.1a, .beta.1b) indicating that multiple Ca²⁺ channel gating may arise from the expression of different subtypes of .beta. subunits. The implication of Ca²⁺ channels in pathophysiology has been recently suggested and the genes coding for .alpha.1A, .alpha.1B or .beta. subunits are potential candidates in some pathologies. Several autoimmune diseases have also been suggested to involve Ca²⁺ channels as the targets for antibodies. Moreover, the functional diversity of neuronal Ca²⁺ channel offers new perspectives in the development of drugs for the treatment of neurologic disorders.

L5 ANSWER 17 OF 21 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 10
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95055196 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95055196
TITLE: The L-type ***calcium*** ***channel*** current is increased by ***alpha*** - ***1*** adrenoceptor activation in neonatal rat ventricular cells. AUTHOR: Liu Q Y; Karpinski E; Pang P K
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (1994 Nov) 271 (2) 935-43.
Journal code: JP3. ISSN: 0022-3565.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199502
AB The activation of ***alpha*** - ***1*** adrenoceptors in adult rat ventricular cells results in the reduction of the transient outward K⁺ current, but does not affect Ca²⁺ currents. In this study, using neonatal rat ventricular cells, the ***alpha*** - ***1*** adrenergic receptor ***agonist*** phenylephrine increased the long-lasting (L-type) Ca²⁺ channel current (dihydropyridine-sensitive) and the increase was concentration-dependent. Phenylephrine did not, however, modulate the transient-type (***T*** - ***type***) Ca²⁺ channel current. The ***alpha*** - ***1*** effect of phenylephrine was reversed or abolished by prazosin, an ***alpha*** - ***1*** ***antagonist***. The alpha-2 ***agonist*** clonidine had no effect on the L-type current. Yohimbine, an alpha-2 ***antagonist***, and propranolol, a beta ***antagonist***, did not inhibit the effect of phenylephrine on L-type current. The effect of phenylephrine was abolished by pretreatment with WB4101, an alpha-1A ***antagonist***, but not by chloroethylclonidine, an alpha-1B ***antagonist***. In addition, norepinephrine also increased the L-type current in the presence of propranolol and this effect was reversed by washout. These observations suggest that phenylephrine increased the L-type Ca²⁺ channel current specifically through the activation of alpha-1A adrenergic receptors in neonatal rat ventricular myocytes. This may explain in part the increase in the plateau phase of the action potential and the positive inotropic response of the neonatal myocardium to

phenylephrine. This is the first description of an increase in L-type Ca²⁺ current by alpha-1A adrenoceptor activation in neonatal rat ventricular myocytes, and this effect is different from that reported in adult rat myocytes.

L5 ANSWER 18 OF 21 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 11
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95121362 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95121362
TITLE: Effects of two chemically related new Ca²⁺ channel ***antagonists*** , SR33557 (fantofarone) and SR33805, on the L-type cardiac channel.
AUTHOR: Romeo G; Bois P; Lazdunski M
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Pharmacologie Moleculaire et Cellulaire, Sophia Antipolis, Valbonne, France.
SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY, (1994 Sep 22) 263 (1-2) 101-5.
Journal code: EN6. ISSN: 0014-2999.
PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199504
AB Fantofarone (SR33557) is a substituted indolizine and SR33805 is a substituted indole. These drugs have been shown to specifically bind to the ***alpha*** - ***1*** subunit of the L-type Ca²⁺ channel at the same site, distinct from those of the classical 1,4-dihydropyridine, phenylalkamine or benzothiazepine Ca²⁺ ***antagonists***, but in negative allosteric interaction with them. The present work shows that fantofarone and SR33805 block L-type but not ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels in mouse cardiac cells in primary culture. This block is voltage-dependent. Fantofarone and SR33805 are potent Ca²⁺ channel blockers in depolarized conditions (i.e. at a holding potential of -40 mV) with an EC50 = 1.4 and 4.1 nM, respectively. In polarized conditions (i.e. at a holding potential of -80 mV), SR33805 is a better Ca²⁺ channel blocker (EC50 = 33 nM) than fantofarone (EC50 = 0.15 microM). Therefore differences in their chemical structures make the blocking action of fantofarone more sensitive to voltage than that of SR33805.

Ca²⁺ channels and our recent work on neuronal Ca²⁺ channels with novel pharmacological and biophysical properties that distinguish them from L, N, P or ***T*** - ***type*** channels. The Ca²⁺ channel ***alpha*** - ***1*** subunit known as alpha 1A or BI [Mori Y., Friedrich T., Kim M.-S., Mikami A., Nakai J., Ruth P., Bosse E., Hofmann F., Flockerzi V., Furuichi T., Mikoshiba K., Imoto K., Tanabe T. and Numa S. (1991) *Nature* 350, 398-402] is generally assumed to encode the P-type Ca²⁺ channel. However, we find that alpha 1A expressed in Xenopus oocytes differs from P-type channels in its kinetics of inactivation and its degree of sensitivity to block by the peptide toxins omega-Aga-IVa and omega-CTx-MVIIC [Sather W. A., Tanabe T., Zhang J.-F., Mori Y., Adams M. E. and Tsien R. W. (1993) *Neuron* 11, 291-303]. Thus, alpha 1A is capable of generating a Ca²⁺ channel with characteristics quite distinct from P-type channels. Doe-1, recently cloned from the forebrain of a marine ray, is another ***alpha*** - ***1*** subunit which exemplifies a different branch of the Ca²⁺ channel family tree [Home W. A., Ellinor P. T., Inman I., Zhou M., Tsien R. W. and Schwarz T. L. (1993) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 90, 3787-3791]. When expressed in Xenopus oocytes, doe-1 forms a high voltage-activated (HVA) Ca²⁺ channel [Ellinor P. T., Zhang J.-F., Randall A. D., Zhou M., Schwarz T. L., Tsien R. W. and Home W. (1993) *Nature* 363, 455-458]. It inactivates more rapidly than any previously expressed ***calcium*** ***channel*** and is not blocked by dihydropyridine ***antagonists*** or omega-Aga-IVa. Doe-1 current is reduced by omega-CTx-GVIA, but the inhibition is readily reversible and requires micromolar toxin, in contrast to this toxin's potent and irreversible block of N-type channels. Doe-1 shows considerable sensitivity to block by Ni²⁺ or Cd²⁺. We have identified components of Ca²⁺ channel current in rat cerebellar granule neurons with kinetic and pharmacological features similar to alpha 1A and doe-1 in oocytes [Randall A. D., Wendland B., Schweizer F., Miljanich G., Adams M. E. and Tsien R. W. (1993) *Soc. Neurosci. Abstr.* 19, 1478]. The doe-1-like component (R-type current) inactivates much more quickly than L, N or P-type channels, and also differs significantly in its pharmacology. (ABSTRACT)
TRUNCATED AT 400 WORDS)

L5 ANSWER 19 OF 21 MEDLINE
ACCESSION NUMBER: 94150810 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 94150810
TITLE: Distinctive pharmacology and kinetics of cloned neuronal Ca²⁺ channels and their possible counterparts in mammalian CNS neurons.
AUTHOR: Zhang J F; Randall A D; Ellinor P T; Home W A; Sather W A; Tanabe T; Schwarz T L; Tsien R W
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular and Cellular Physiology, Stanford University Medical Center, CA 94305.
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM42376 (NIGMS)
NS24067 (NINDS)
SOURCE: NEUROPHARMACOLOGY, (1993 Nov) 32 (11) 1075-88. Ref: 40
Journal code: NZB. ISSN: 0028-3908.
PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
General Review; (REVIEW)
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LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199405
AB This paper provides a brief overview of the diversity of voltage-gated

cardiac and neuronal cells by an endogenous peptide.
AUTHOR: Callewaert G; Hanbauer I; Morad M
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 19104.
CONTRACT NUMBER: HL16152 (NHLBI)
SOURCE: SCIENCE, (1989 Feb 3) 243 (4891) 663-6.
Journal code: UJ7. ISSN: 0036-8075.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals
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AB ***Calcium*** ***channels*** mediate the generation of action potentials, pacemaking, excitation-contraction coupling, and secretion and signal integration in muscle, secretory, and neuronal cells. The physiological regulation of the L-type ***calcium*** ***channel*** is thought to be mediated primarily by guanine nucleotide-binding proteins (G proteins). A low molecular weight endogenous peptide has been isolated and purified from rat brain. This peptide regulates up and down the cardiac and neuronal ***calcium*** ***channels***, respectively. In cardiac myocytes, the peptide-induced enhancement of the L-type calcium current had a slow onset (half-time approximately 75 seconds), occurred via a G protein-independent mechanism, and could not be inhibited by ***alpha*** ***1*** -adrenergic, beta-adrenergic, or angiotensin II blockers. In neuronal cells, on the other hand, the negative effect had a rapid onset (half-time less than 500 milliseconds) and was observed on both ***T*** - ***type*** and L-type ***calcium*** ***channels***.

L5 ANSWER 21 OF 21 MEDLINE
ACCESSION NUMBER: 89301359 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89301359
TITLE: ***Calcium*** ***channels*** reconstituted from the skeletal muscle dihydropyridine receptor protein complex and its ***alpha*** ***1*** peptide subunit in lipid bilayers.
AUTHOR: Pelzer D; Grant A O; Cavalie A; Pelzer S; Sieber M; Hofmann F; Trautwein W

CORPORATE SOURCE: II. Physiologisches Institut, Medizinische Fakultät, Universität des Saarlandes, Homburg/Saar, Federal Republic of Germany.

SOURCE: ANNALS OF THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, (1989) 560 138-54.
Journal code: 5NM. ISSN: 0077-8923.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 198910

AB In the first part of this study, we show that sDHPR and pDHPR preparations reconstituted into lipid bilayers formed on the tips of patch pipettes exhibit two divalent cation-selective conductance levels of 9 and 20 pS, similar in single-channel conductance to VSCC reported in a variety of intact preparations (see Pelzer et al. and Tsien et al. for review). The

larger conductance level is similar to the VSCC identified in intact rat t-tubule membranes and described in sDHPR and pDHPR preparations, and shares many properties in common with activity from L-type VSCC. It is sensitive to augmentation by the DHP ***agonist*** (+/-)-BAY K 8644

and cAMP-dependent phosphorylation, and to block by the phenylalkylamine (+/-)-D600 and the inorganic blocker CoCl₂. Its open-state probability and open times are increased upon depolarization as expected for a

voltage-dependent activation process. Upon depolarization beyond the reversal potential, however, open-state probability and open times decline

again. A reasonable way to explain the bell-shaped dependence of open times and open-state probability on membrane potential is to assume voltage-dependent ion-pore interactions that produce closing of the channel at strong negative and positive membrane potentials. By contrast, the smaller conductance level may be similar to the 10.6-pS t-tubule VSCC described by Rosenberg et al. and may best be compared with ***T***.

type VSCC. It is largely resistant to augmentation by (+/-)-BAY K 8644 and cAMP-dependent phosphorylation or block by (+/-)-D600, but is sensitive to block by CoCl₂. Its open times and open-state probability show a sole dependence on membrane potential where depolarization increases both parameters sigmoidally from close to zero up to a saturating level. Both elementary conductance levels do not exhibit significant inactivation over a wide potential range, which may suggest that skeletal muscle VSCC inactivation is either poorly or not voltage-dependent at all. This possibility seems in agreement with bilayer recordings on reconstituted intact t-tubule membranes and voltage-clamp recordings on intact fibers. It supports the idea that the decline of Ca²⁺ current in intact skeletal muscle fibers may be due to Ca²⁺ depletion from the t-tubule system and/or to inactivation induced by Ca²⁺ release from the sarcoplasmic reticulum. We consistently observe two conductance levels of 9 and 20 pS, either singly, or together in the same bilayer from solubilized DHPR samples and even highly purified DHPR preparations (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 400 WORDS)

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TITLE: Alternative splicing in intracellular loop connecting domains II and III of the ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit of Ca(v)1.2 Ca²⁺ channels predicts two-domain

polypeptides with unique C-terminal tails
AUTHOR: Wielowieyski P A; Wigle J T; Salih M; Hum P; Tuana B S (Reprint)
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ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB Novel splice variants of the Lu, subunit of the Ca(v)1.2 voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channel were identified that predicted two truncated forms of the or, subunit comprising domains I and II generated by alternative splicing in the intracellular loop region linking domains II and III. In rabbit heart splice variant 1 (RH-1), exon 19 was deleted, which resulted in a reading frameshift of exon 20 with a premature termination codon and a novel 62-amino acid carboxyl-terminal tail. In the RH-2 variant, exons 17 and 18 were deleted, leading to a reading frameshift of exons 19 and 20 with a premature stop codon and a novel 62-amino acid carboxyl-terminal tail.

RNase protection assays with RH-1 and RH-2 cRNA probes confirmed the expression in cardiac and neuronal tissue but not skeletal muscle. The deduced amino acid sequence from full-length cDNAs encoding the two variants predicted polypeptides of 99.0 and 99.2 kDa, which constituted domains I and II of the ***alpha*** (***1***), subunit of the Ca(v)1.2 channel. Antipeptide antibodies directed to sequences in the second intracellular loop between domains II and III identified the 240-kDa Ca(v)1.2 subunit in sarcolemmal and heavy sarcoplasmic reticulum (HSR) membranes and a 99-kDa polypeptide in the HSR. An antipeptide antibody raised against unique sequences in the RH-2 variant also identified a 99-kDa polypeptide in the HSR. These data reveal the expression of additional Ca²⁺ channel structural units generated by alternative splicing of the Ca(v)1.2 gene.

L6 ANSWER 2 OF 104 WPIDS COPYRIGHT 2001 DERWENT INFORMATION LTD
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-271475 [23]
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DOC. NO. CPI: C2000-082967
TITLE: Novel nucleic acids encoding pancreatic ***T***.
type ***calcium*** ***channels*** used for regulation of ***T***.
type ***calcium*** ***channels*** and treatment of type II diabetes.
DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16
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NOVELTY - An isolated pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channel*** (I) is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(1) an isolated nucleic acid molecule (NAM) (II) encoding (I);

(2) an antisense NAM (III) complementary to (II);

(3) a cell comprising (III);

(4) an expression vector comprising (III);

(5) a method (A) of decreasing expression of a (I) in a host cell;

(6) a ribozyme (IV) having a recognition sequence complementary to a portion of (II);

(7) a cell comprising (IV);

(8) an expression vector comprising (IV);

(9) a cell comprising (II);

(10) an expression vector comprising (II);

(11) a method (B) of increasing expression of (II) in a host cell,

comprising introducing (I) into the cell;

(12) a method (C) of screening a substance for the ability to modify the function of (I);

(13) a method (D) of obtaining DNA encoding (II)

(14) a DNA oligomer capable of hybridizing to (I);

(15) a method (E) of detecting presence of a pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channel*** in a sample;

(16) an antibody (V) specific for (II); and

(17) a method of detecting the presence of (I) in a sample,

comprising contacting the sample with (V) and detecting the complex formed.

ACTIVITY - antidiabetic.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - The polypeptide functions as a pancreatic

T - ***type*** ***calcium***

channel.

USE - The pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium

channel polynucleotides and polypeptides are used for treating

diseases associated with abnormal expression or

function of ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channels***.

They are especially used for treating type II diabetes (claimed). They are used in methods for

modifying insulin secretion by pancreatic beta cells,

for modifying basal

calcium levels in cells, for modifying the action of

potential L type

calcium ***channels*** in cells, for

modifying pancreatic cell

death, for modifying pancreatic beta cell proliferation, and for modifying calcium influx through L type ***calcium*** ***channels*** in cells (all claimed). The polypeptides are used to produce antibodies,

which can be used in assays to identify cells or tissues which express

pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channels***

, or for detecting pancreatic ***T*** -

type ***calcium***

channels in samples. Antisense sequences and ribozymes can be used

to decrease expression of pancreatic ***T*** -

type ***calcium*** ***channels***

. Inhibitors and antagonists (identified

using the polypeptides of the invention) can be used to decrease the

activity of pancreatic ***T*** - ***type***

calcium

channels.

ADVANTAGE - No stated advantage given in the specification.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure is a schematic illustration

representing the partial rat genomic nucleotide composition between

domains III and IV. Genomic DNA contained an exon specific to alpha 1G

(shaded circle) and an exon specific to the

alpha ***T***

subunit of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ deduced from IN-1 (shaded

rectangle). Other exons (open rectangles) are

identical between the two

cDNAs. The bold letters indicate the nucleotide coding Gly1667.

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L6 ANSWER 3 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:334427 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV20000334427

TITLE: Molecular and functional properties of the human alpha1G

subunit that forms ***T*** -

type

calcium ***channels***.

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SOURCE: Journal of Biological Chemistry,

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ISSN: 0021-9258.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB: We describe here several novel properties of the

human alpha1G subunit

that forms ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channels***

The partial intron/exon structure of the

corresponding gene CACNA1G was

defined and several alpha1G isoforms were

identified, especially two

isoforms that exhibit a distinct III-IV loop:

alpha1G-a and alpha1G-b.

Northern blot and dot blot analyses indicated that

alpha1G mRNA is

predominantly expressed in the brain, especially in

thalamus, cerebellum,

and substantia nigra. Additional experiments have

also provided evidence

that alpha1G mRNA is expressed at a higher level

during fetal life in

nonneuronal tissues (i.e. kidney, heart, and lung).

Functional expression

in HEK 293 cells of a full-length cDNA encoding

the shortest alpha1G

isoform identified to date, alpha1G-b, resulted in

transient, low

threshold activated Ca2+ currents with the expected

permeability ratio

($ISr > ICa$ $gtoreq$ IBa) and channel conductance

(apprx 7 pS). These

properties, together with slowly deactivating tail

currents, are typical

of those of native ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channels. This

alpha1G-related current was inhibited by mibepradil

($IC50 = 2$ μ M) and

weakly blocked by Ni^{2+} ions ($IC50 = 148$ μ M) and amiloride ($IC50 > 1$ μ M).

We showed that steady state activation and

inactivation properties of this

current can generate a "window current" in the range of -65 to -55 mV.

Using neuronal action potential waveforms, we show

that alpha1G channels

produce a massive and sustained Ca2+ influx due to their slow deactivation

properties. These latter properties would account for the specificity of

Ca2+ influx via ***T*** - ***type*** channels that occurs in the

range of physiological resting membrane potentials, differing considerably

from the behavior of other Ca2+ channels.

L6 ANSWER 4 OF 104 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2001 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000122674 EMBASE

TITLE: pH modification of human ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channel*** gating.

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COUNTRY: United States

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article

FILE SEGMENT: 002 Physiology

027 Biophysics, Bioengineering and

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Instrumentation

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB: External pH ($pH(o)$) modifies ***T*** -

type ***calcium***

channel gating and permeation properties.

The mechanisms of

T - ***type*** channel modulation by

pH remain unclear because

native currents are small and are contaminated with

L-type calcium

currents. Heterologous expression of the human

cloned ***T*** -

type channel, alpha1H, enables us to

determine the effect of

changing pH on isolated ***T*** - ***type***

calcium currents.

External acidification from $pH(o)$ 8.2 to $pH(o)$ 5.5 shifts the midpoint

potential ($V(1/2)$) for steady-state inactivation by 11 mV, shifts the

$V(1/2)$ for maximal activation by 40 mV, and

reduces the voltage dependence

of channel activation. The alpha1H reversal

potential ($E(rev)$) shifts

from +49 mV at $pH(o)$ 8.2 to +36 mV at $pH(o)$ 5.5.

The maximal macroscopic

conductance ($G(max)$) of ***alpha1H***

1 H increases at $pH(o)$

5.5 compared to $pH(o)$ 8.2. The $E(rev)$ and $G(max)$

data taken together

suggest that external protons decrease

calcium/monovalent ion relative

permeability. In response to a sustained

depolarization, alpha1H currents

inactivate with a single exponential function. The

macroscopic

inactivation time constant is a steep function of

voltage for potentials <

-30 mV at $pH(o)$ 8.2. At $pH(o)$ 5.5 the voltage

dependence of τ_{inact}

shifts more depolarized, and is also a more gradual function of voltage.

The macroscopic deactivation time constant (τ_{deact}) is a function of voltage at the potentials tested. At pH(o) 5.5 the voltage dependence of τ_{deact} is simply transposed by apprx. 40 mV, without a concomitant change in the voltage dependence. Similarly, the delay in recovery from inactivation at V(rec) of -80 mV in pH(o) 5.5 is similar to that with a

V(rec) of -120 mV at pH(o) 8.2. We conclude that α_{1H} is uniquely modified by pH(o) compared to other $***\text{calcium}***$ $***\text{channel}***$.

Protons do not block α_{1H} current. Rather, a proton-induced change in activation gating accounts for most of the change in current magnitude with acidification.

L6 ANSWER 5 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:240714 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000240714

TITLE: Regulation of the $***\text{calcium}***$

$***\text{channel}***$

α_{1G} subunit by divalent cations and organic blockers.

AUTHOR(S): Lacinova, L. (1); Klugbauer, N.; Hofmann, F.

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SOURCE: Neuropharmacology, (April 27, 2000) Vol. 39, No. 7, pp.

1254-1266.

ISSN: 0028-3908.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB The pharmacological properties of the expressed murine $***\text{T}***$ -

$***\text{type}***$ α_{1G} channel were characterized using the whole cell patch

clamp configuration. Ba²⁺ or Ca²⁺ were used as charge carriers. Both IBa

and ICa were blocked by Ni²⁺ and Cd²⁺ with IC50 values of 0.47+-0.04 and

1.13+-0.06 mM (Ni²⁺) and 162+-13 and 658+-23 μ M (Cd²⁺), respectively.

Ni²⁺, but not Cd²⁺, modified the gating of channel activation. Ni²⁺

consistently accelerated channel deactivation while Cd²⁺ had a similar

effect only on ICa. The α_{1G} channel was potentially blocked by mibebradil

in a dose- and voltage-dependent manner. IBa was moderately blocked by

phenytoin (IC50 73.9+-1.9 μ M) and was resistant to the block by

valproate. Also 3 mM ethosuximide blocked 20 and 35% of the IBa at a HP of

-100 and -60 mV, respectively, while 5 mM amiloride inhibited IBa by 38%

and significantly slowed current activation. The α_{1G} channel was not

affected by 10 μ M tetrodotoxin. Both 1 μ M (+)-isradipine and 10 μ M

nifedipine inhibited 18 and 14% of IBa amplitude at a HP of -100 mV, and

23% and 29% of IBa amplitude at a HP of -60 mV, respectively. The α_{1G}

current was minimally activated by 1 μ M Bay K 8644.

L6 ANSWER 6 OF 104 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000225542 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20225542

TITLE: Neuronal distribution and functional characterization of

$***\text{calcium}***$ $***\text{channel}***$ $\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ subunit.

AUTHOR: Hobom M; Dai S; Marais E; Lacinova L; Hofmann F; Klugbauer

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CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut fur Pharmakologie und Toxikologie der Technischen Universitat Muenchen, Germany.

SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE, (2000 Apr) 12 (4) 1217-26.

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LANGUAGE: English

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AB The auxiliary $***\text{calcium}***$ $***\text{channel}***$ $\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ subunit

comprises a family of three genes, $\alpha_{2\delta 1}$ -1 to 3, which are expressed in a tissue-specific manner. $\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ -2 mRNA is found in the heart, skeletal muscle, brain, kidney, liver and pancreas.

We report here for the first time the identification and functional characterization of

$\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ -2 splice variants and their mRNA distribution in the mouse

brain. The splice variants differ in the $\alpha_{2\delta}$ and delta protein by eight and three amino acid residues, respectively, and are differentially

expressed in cardiac tissue and human medullary thyroid carcinoma (hMTC)

cells. In situ hybridization of mouse brain sections revealed the highest expression of $\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ -2 mRNA in the Purkinje cell layer of the

cerebellum, habenulae and septal nuclei, and a lower expression in the

cerebral cortex, olfactory bulb, thalamic and hypothalamic nuclei, as well

as the inferior and superior colliculus. As the in situ data did not

suggest a specific colocalization with any $***\text{alpha}1***$ subunit, coexpression studies of $\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ -2 were carried out either with the

high-voltage-gated $***\text{calcium}***$ $***\text{channel}***$ α_{1C} , α_{1E} or α_{1A} , or with the low-voltage-gated $***\text{calcium}***$

$***\text{channel}***$, α_{1G} . Coexpression of $\alpha_{2\delta 2}$ -2 increased the

current density, shifted the voltage dependence of channel activation and inactivation of α_{1C} , α_{1E} and α_{1A} subunits in a hyperpolarizing

direction, and accelerated the decay and shifted the steady-state inactivation of the α_{1G} current.

L6 ANSWER 7 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:50967 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100050967

TITLE: The α_{1G} -subunit of a voltage-dependent Ca²⁺ channel is

localized in rat distal nephron and collecting duct.

AUTHOR(S): Andreasen, Ditte; Jensen, Boye L. (1); Hansen, Pernille B.; Kwon, Tae-Hwan; Nielsen, Soren; Skott, Ole

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SOURCE: American Journal of Physiology, (December, 2000) Vol. 279, No. 6 Part 2, pp. F997-F1005. print.

ISSN: 0002-9513.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB The molecular type and localization of $***\text{calcium}***$ $***\text{channel}***$ along the nephron are not well understood. In the present study, we

assessed the distribution of the recently identified α_{1G} -subunit

encoding a voltage-dependent $***\text{calcium}***$

$***\text{channel}***$ with $***\text{T}***$ - $***\text{type}***$ characteristics. Using a RNase protection assay, α_{1G} mRNA levels in kidney regions were determined as inner medulla mchgt outer medulla simeq cortex. RT-PCR analysis of microdissected rat nephron segments revealed α_{1G} expression in the distal convoluted tubule (DCT), in the connecting tubule and cortical collecting duct (CT+CCD), and inner medullary collecting duct (IMCD). α_{1G} mRNA was expressed in the IMCD cell line mIMCD-3. Single- and double-labeling immunohistochemistry and confocal laser microscopy on semithin paraffin sections of rat kidneys by using an anti- α_{1G} antibody demonstrated a distinct labeling at the apical plasma membrane domains of DCT cells, CT principal cells, and IMCD principal cells.

L6 ANSWER 8 OF 104 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:417290

SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 319EW

TITLE: Immunodetection of α_{1E} voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channel in chromogranin-positive muscle cells of rat heart, and in distal tubules of human kidney

AUTHOR: Weiergraber M; Pereverzev A; Vajna R; Henry M; Schramm M; Nastajczyk W; Grabsch H; Schneider T (Reprint)

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COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: GERMANY

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF HISTOCHEMISTRY & CYTOCHEMISTRY, (JUN 2000) Vol. 48, No. 6, pp. 807-819.

Publisher: HISTOCHEMICAL SOC INC, UNIV WASHINGTON, DEPT BIOSTRUCTURE, BOX 357420, SEATTLE, WA 98195.

ISSN: 0022-1554.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal

FILE SEGMENT: LIFE

LANGUAGE: English

REFERENCE COUNT: 62

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND ALL FORMATS

AB The $***\text{calcium}***$ $***\text{channel}***$ α_{1E} subunit was originally cloned from mammalian brain. A new splice variant was recently identified

in rat islets of Langerhans and in human kidney by the polymerase chain reaction. The same isoform of α_{1E} was detected in rat and guinea pig

heart by amplifying indicative cDNA fragments and by immunostaining using peptide-specific antibodies. The apparent molecular size of cardiac α_{1E} was determined by SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting (218 +/- 6 kD; n = 3).

Compared to α_{1E} from stably transfected HEK-293 cells, this is smaller by 28 kD. The distribution of α_{1E} in cardiac muscle cells of

the conducting system and in the cardiomyoblast cell line H9c2 was compared to the distribution of chromogranin, a marker of neuroendocrine

cells, and to the distribution of atrial natriuretic peptide (ANP). In serial sections from atrial and ventricular regions of

rat heart, co-localization of alpha 1E with ANP was detected in atrium and with chromogranin A/B in Purkinje fibers of the conducting system in both rat atrium and ventricle. The kidney is another organ in which natriuretic peptide hormones are secreted. The detection of alpha 1E in the distal tubules of human kidney, where urodilatin is stored and secreted, led to the conclusion that the expression of alpha 1E in rat heart and human kidney is linked to regions with endocrine functions and therefore is involved in the Ca2+-dependent secretion of peptide hormones such as ANP and urodilatin.

L6 ANSWER 9 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS DUPLICATE 1
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:447682 BIOSIS DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000447682
TITLE: Influence of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ (mibepradil) and Cl- (indanyloxyacetic acid 94) channel antagonists on ***alpha1*** -adrenoceptor mediated contractions in rat aorta.
AUTHOR(S): Duggan, Jennifer A.; Tabrizchi, Reza (1)
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SOURCE: Canadian Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology, (September, 2000) Vol. 78, No. 9, pp. 714-720. print.

ISSN: 0008-4212.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English; French
AB The effects of the ***T*** - ***type*** and L-type Ca2+ channel antagonists, mibepradil and nifedipine, respectively, and those of a Cl- channel antagonist, indanyloxyacetic acid 94, on mechanical responses elicited by selective activation of ***alpha1*** -adrenoceptors using cirazoline were examined in rat isolated aortic rings. The presence of mibepradil (300 nM), indanyloxyacetic acid, 94 (30 nM) and nifedipine (300 nM) alone inhibited mechanical responses elicited by cirazoline. The concentration-response curves to cirazoline were displaced to the right with significant increases in the EC50 and significant depressions of the maximal responses in the presence of the individual agents mibepradil, indanyloxyacetic acid 94, or nifedipine. A combination of mibepradil and indanyloxyacetic acid 94 further inhibited the mechanical activity produced by cirazoline. The further reduction in the maximal response to cirazoline, in the presence of mibepradil and nifedipine, was insignificant when compared with the effects of nifedipine alone. In addition, maximal mechanical responses produced by cirazoline were not significantly affected by a combination of nifedipine and indanyloxyacetic acid 94 when compared with either nifedipine alone or mibepradil and indanyloxyacetic acid 94 combined. Our current findings indicate that mibepradil, indanyloxyacetic acid 94, and nifedipine can inhibit cirazoline-induced contractions to a varying degree. Moreover, based on our present data it would be reasonable to suggest that the contribution

of ***T*** - ***type*** versus L-type Ca2+ channels to contractile responses obtained with cirazoline are approximately 21% and 35%, respectively, of the Emax. It would appear that L-type Ca2+ channels play a greater role in processes that are involved in excitation-contraction coupling subsequent to stimulation of ***alpha1*** -adrenoceptors. In addition, Cl- channels also appear to be involved in the process of contraction following ***alpha1*** -adrenoceptor activation.

L6 ANSWER 10 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:251930 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000251930
TITLE: A tale of two (***calcium***) ***channels***.
AUTHOR(S): Nargeot, Joel (1)
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Institut de Génétique Humaine, CNRS UPR 1142, 141 rue de la Cardinale, 34396, Montpellier cedex, 5 France
SOURCE: Circulation Research, (March 31, 2000) Vol. 86, No. 6, pp. 613-615.
ISSN: 0009-7330.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

L6 ANSWER 11 OF 104 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2001 ISI (R)DUPLICATE 2
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:11587 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 385NH
TITLE: Structure and regulation of voltage-gated Ca2+ channels
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SOURCE: ANNUAL REVIEW OF CELL AND DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY, (DEC 2000) Vol. 16, pp. 521-555.
PUBLISHER: ANNUAL REVIEWS, 4139 EL CAMINO WAY, PO BOX 10139, PALO ALTO, CA 94303-0139 USA.
ISSN: 1081-0706.

DOCUMENT TYPE: General Review; Journal
LANGUAGE: English
REFERENCE COUNT: 218
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB Voltage-gated Ca2+ channels mediate Ca2+ entry into cells in response to membrane depolarization. Electrophysiological studies reveal different Ca2+ currents designated L-, N-, P-, Q-, R-, and ***T*** - ***type***. The high-voltage-activated Ca2+ channels that have been characterized biochemically are complexes of a pore-forming ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit of similar to 190-250 kDa; a transmembrane, disulfide-linked complex of alpha (2) and delta subunits; an intracellular beta subunit; and in some cases a transmembrane gamma subunit. Ten ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits, four alpha (2)delta complexes, four beta subunits, and two gamma subunits are known. The Ca(v)1 family of ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits conduct L-type Ca2+ currents, which initiate muscle contraction, endocrine secretion, and gene transcription, and are regulated primarily by second messenger-activated protein phosphorylation pathways. The Ca(v)2 family of ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits conduct N-type, P/Q-type, and R-type Ca2+ currents,

which initiate rapid synaptic transmission and are regulated primarily by direct interaction with G proteins and SNARE proteins and secondarily by protein phosphorylation. The Ca(v)3 family of ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits conduct ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ currents, which are activated and inactivated more rapidly and at more negative membrane potentials than other Ca2+ current types. The distinct structures and patterns of regulation of these three families of Ca2+ channels provide a flexible array of Ca2+ entry pathways in response to changes in membrane potential and a range of possibilities for regulation of Ca2+ entry by second messenger pathways and interacting proteins.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:366087 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000366087
TITLE: Analysis of ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** function using antisense oligonucleotides.
AUTHOR(S): Feltz, A. (1); Lambert, R. C. (1); Maulat, Y. (1); de Waard, M.; Perez-Reyes, E.; Volsen, S.
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) UPR9009-CNRS, Strasbourg France
SOURCE: European Journal of Neuroscience, (2000) Vol. 12, No. Supplement 11, pp. 317. print.
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

L6 ANSWER 13 OF 104 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2001 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000352205 EMBASE
TITLE: Mibepradil block of cloned ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels***.
AUTHOR: Martin R.L.; Lee J.-H.; Cribbs L.L.; Perez-Reyes E.; Hanck D.A.
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COUNTRY: United States
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article
FILE SEGMENT: 030 Pharmacology
037 Drug Literature Index
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
AB Mibepradil is a tetralol derivative chemically distinct from other ***calcium*** ***channel*** antagonists. It is a very effective antihypertensive agent that is thought to achieve its action via a higher affinity block for low-voltage-activated (T) than for high-voltage-activated (L) ***calcium*** ***channels***. Estimates of affinity using Ba2+ as the charge carrier have predicted a 10- to 15-fold preference of mibepradil for T channels over L channels. However, T channel IC50 values are reported to be approx. 1.5 μM, which is much higher than expected for clinical efficacy because relevant blood levels

of this drug are apprx.50 nM. We compared the affinity for mibebradil of the newly cloned T channel isoforms, $\alpha.1G$, $\alpha.1H$, and $\alpha.1I$ with an L channel, $\alpha.1C$. In 10 mM Ba²⁺, mibebradil blocked in the micromolar range and with 12- to 13-fold greater affinity for T channels than for L channels (apprx.1 μ M versus 13/ μ M). When 2 mM Ca²⁺ was used as the charge carrier, the drug was more efficacious; the IC50 for $\alpha.1G$ shifted to 270 nM and for $\alpha.1H$ shifted to 140 nM, 4.5- and 9-fold higher affinity than in 10 mM Ba. The data are consistent with the idea that mibebradil competes for its binding site on the channel with the permeant species and that Ba²⁺ is a more effective competitor than Ca²⁺. Raising temperature to 35 degree C reduced affinity (IC50 792 nM). Reducing channel availability to half increased affinity (apprx.70 nM). This profile of mibebradil affinity makes these channels good candidates for the physiological target of this antihypertensive agent.

L6 ANSWER 14 OF 104 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2001 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000335079 EMBASE
TITLE: Dendro-somatic distribution of calcium-mediated electogenesis in Purkinje cells from rat cerebellar slice cultures.
AUTHOR: Pouille F.; Cavelier P.; Desplantez T.; Beekenkamp H.; Craig P.J.; Beattie R.E.; Volsen S.G.; Bossu J.L.
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LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
AB 1. The role of Ca²⁺ entry in determining the electrical properties of cerebellar Purkinje cell (PC) dendrites and somata was investigated in cerebellar slice cultures. Immunohistofluorescence demonstrated the presence of at least three distinct types of Ca²⁺ channel proteins in PCs: the $\alpha.1G$ (A) subunit (P/Q type Ca²⁺ channel), the $\alpha.1H$ (B) subunit (G type), and the $\alpha.1I$ (C) subunit (E type). In PC dendrites, the response started in 66% of cases with a slow depolarization (50 μ s) triggering one or two fast (apprx.1 ms) action potentials (APs). The slow depolarization was identified as a low-threshold non-P/Q Ca²⁺ AP initiated, most probably, in the dendrites. In 16% of cases, this response propagated to the soma to elicit an initial burst of fast APs. 3. Somatic recordings revealed three modes of discharge. In mode 1, PCs display a single or a short burst of fast APs. In contrast, PCs fire repetitively in mode 2 and 3, with a sustained discharge of APs in mode 2, and bursts of APs in mode 3. Removal of external Ca²⁺ or bath

applications of a membrane-permeable Ca²⁺ chelator abolished repetitive firing. 4. Tetraethylammonium (TEA) prolonged dendritic and somatic fast APs by a depolarizing plateau sensitive to Cd²⁺ and to omega-agatoxin TK. Therefore, the role of Ca²⁺ channels in determining somatic PC firing has been investigated. Cd²⁺ or P/Q type Ca²⁺ channel-specific toxins reduced the duration of the discharge and occasionally induced the appearance of oscillations in the membrane potential associated with bursts of APs. 5. In summary, we demonstrate that Ca²⁺ entry through low-voltage gated Ca²⁺ channels, not yet identified, underlies a dendritic AP rarely eliciting a somatic burst of APs whereas Ca²⁺ entry through P/Q type Ca²⁺ channels allowed a repetitive firing mainly by inducing a Ca²⁺-dependent hyperpolarization.

L6 ANSWER 15 OF 104 SCISEARCH
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:621150
SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 343GL
TITLE: Molecular diversity of voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels***
AUTHOR: Lory P; Monteil A; Chemin J; Leuranguer V; Bourinet E; Nargeot J (Reprint)

CORPORATE SOURCE: CNRS, UPR 1142, IGH, PHYSIOPATHOL CANAUX ION, 14 RUE CARDONILLE, F-34396 MONTPELLIER 05, FRANCE (Reprint); CNRS, UPR 1142, IGH, PHYSIOPATHOL CANAUX ION, F-34396 MONTPELLIER 05, FRANCE
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: FRANCE
SOURCE: THERAPIE, (MAR-APR 2000) Vol. 55, No. 2, pp. 249-254.
Publisher: JOHN LIBBEY & CO LTD, 13 SMITHS YARD, SUMMERLEY ST, LONDON SW18 4HR, ENGLAND.
ISSN: 0040-5957.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: French
REFERENCE COUNT: 16
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB Voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels*** are involved in a large variety of cellular functions such as excitation-contraction coupling, hormone secretion, firing and pacemaker activity, gene activation and proliferation. Cloning of complementary DNAs encoding for ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunits has challenged the study of the functional properties of ***calcium*** ***channels*** and has allowed analysis of the molecular basis of ***calcium*** ***channel*** diversity. Recently, pore-forming subunits of ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** have been cloned. Recent data describing type genes encoding ***calcium*** ***channels***, their molecular and pharmacological studies, as well as their linkage to human genetic diseases are reviewed in this article.

L6 ANSWER 16 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:525133 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000525133
TITLE: Modulation of the deactivation kinetics of a recombinant rat ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channel by prior inactivation.

AUTHOR(S): Warre, Ruth; Randall, Andrew (1)
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Neuroscience Research, SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, New Frontiers Science Park, North Harlow, Essex UK
SOURCE: Neuroscience Letters, (November 3, 2000) Vol. 293, No. 3, pp. 216-220. print.
ISSN: 0304-3940.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
AB Using patch clamp methods we have investigated the deactivation properties of the ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channel generated by expression of the rat $\alpha.1$ subunit in HEK293 cells. The amplitude of the repolarisation-induced tail current was strongly correlated ($R = 0.998$) with the current amplitude immediately prior to repolarisation. The rate of deactivation was voltage-dependent between -120 mV (tau_{deact} = 0.9 \pm 0.0 ms) and -60 mV (tau_{deact} = 3.3 \pm 0.5 ms). Interestingly, the rate of deactivation observed at -80 mV was clearly dependent on the level of inactivation induced immediately prior to repolarisation, with greater inactivation producing significantly slower deactivation. In contrast, the rate of deactivation appeared completely independent of the level of steady-state inactivation. Together these data indicate the presence of a tight relationship between the recent induction of inactivation of this ***T*** - ***type*** channel and its subsequent rate of deactivation.

L6 ANSWER 17 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:180035 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000180035
TITLE: Identification of multiple human alpha1G isoforms of ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** with distinct functional properties.
AUTHOR(S): Monteil, Arnaud (1); Chemin, Jean (1); Bourinet, Emmanuel (1); Nargeot, Joel (1); Lory, Philippe (1)
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) CNRS, IGH, 34396, Montpellier France
SOURCE: Biophysical Journal, (Jan., 2000) Vol. 78, No. 1 Part 2, pp. 199A.
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ISSN: 0006-3495.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:67602 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 389BX
TITLE: Modulation of recombinant ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels by hypoxia and glutathione
AUTHOR: Fearon I M (Reprint); Randall A D; Perez-Reyes E; Peers C
CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Leeds, Inst Cardiovasc Res, Leeds LS2 9JT, W Yorkshire, England (Reprint); SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceut, Dept Neurosci Res, Harlow CM19 5AW, Essex, England; Univ Virginia, Dept Pharmacol, Charlottesville, VA 22908 USA
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: England, USA
SOURCE: PFLUGERS ARCHIV-EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF

PHYSIOLOGY, (DEC 2000)
Vol. 441, No. 2-3, pp. 181-188.
Publisher: SPRINGER-VERLAG, 175
FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY
10010 USA.
ISSN: 0031-6768.

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LANGUAGE: English
REFERENCE COUNT: 37

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channels are expressed in a wide variety of central and peripheral neurons and play an important role in neuronal firing and rhythmicity. Here we examined the effects of hypoxia on the recently cloned ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channel alpha (1G), alpha (1H) and alpha (11) subunits, stably expressed in HEK 293 cells. In cells expressing the human alpha (1H) or the rat alpha (11) subunit, Ca₂₊ channel currents were inhibited reversibly by hypoxia (PO₂<110 mmHg). The degree of inhibition was more marked in cells expressing the <alpha>(1H) subunit. This hypoxic inhibition was not voltage dependent. In cells expressing the rat alpha (1G) subunit, hypoxia caused no detectable reduction in Ca₂₊ channel activity. Regardless of the channel type examined, hypoxia was without effect on the kinetic properties of the Ca₂₊ current (activation, inactivation and deactivation) or on steady-state inactivation. Ca₂₊ current through the alpha (1H) subunit was enhanced by the reducing agent reduced glutathione (GSH; 2 mM) and inhibited by oxidised glutathione (GSSG; 2 mM). In contrast, Ca₂₊ current through the alpha (1G) subunit was unaffected by GSH. In alpha (1H) cells, neither GSH nor GSSG had any effect on the ability of hypoxia to reduce Ca₂₊ current amplitudes. Thus, different members of the ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channel family are differently regulated by hypoxia and redox agents.

Hypoxic regulation of the alpha (1H) subunit appears to be independent of changes in levels of the intracellular redox couple GSSG:GSH.

L6 ANSWER 19 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 3
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000412064 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20382745
TITLE: Overexpression of ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** in HEK-293 cells

increases intracellular calcium without affecting cellular proliferation.

AUTHOR: Chemin J, Monteil A, Briquaire C; Richard S; Perez-Reyes E; Nargeot J, Lory P

CORPORATE SOURCE: IGH-CNRS UPR 1142-141, rue de la Cardonille, F-34396 Montpellier, Cedex 05, France.

SOURCE: FEBS LETTERS, (2000 Jul 28) 478 (1-2) 166-72.

Journal code: EUH. ISSN: 0014-5793.

PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 200011
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AB Increased expression of low voltage-activated, ***T*** - ***type***

Ca₂₊ channels has been correlated with a variety of cellular events including cell proliferation and cell cycle kinetics. The recent cloning of three genes encoding ***T*** - ***type***

alpha (***1***) subunits, alpha(1G), alpha(1H) and alpha(11), now allows direct assessment of their involvement in mediating cellular proliferation. By overexpressing the human alpha(1G) and alpha(1H) embryonic kidney (HEK-293) cells, we describe here that, although ***T*** - ***type*** channels mediate increases in intracellular Ca²⁺ concentrations, there is no significant change in bromodeoxyuridine incorporation and flow cytometric analysis. These results demonstrate that expressions of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels are not sufficient to modulate cellular proliferation of HEK-293 cells.

L6 ANSWER 20 OF 104 SCISEARCH
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:66866 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 275HL
TITLE: Expression of mRNAs for the ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit of voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels*** in human osteoblast-like cell lines and in normal human osteoblasts
AUTHOR: Barry E L R (Reprint)
CORPORATE SOURCE: DARTMOUTH COLL SCH MED, DEPT PHARMACOL & TOXICOL, HANOVER, NH 03755 (Reprint)
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA
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Publisher: SPRINGER VERLAG, 175 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10010.
ISSN: 0171-967X.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: English
REFERENCE COUNT: 37
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB The activation of osteoblast ***calcium*** ***channels*** by many bone regulatory factors suggests an important role for intracellular calcium signaling in the control of bone remodeling. At least six different genes for the ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit of voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels*** have been cloned including L-type (alpha(1S), alpha(1C) and alpha(1D)) and non-L-type (alpha(1A), alpha(1B), and alpha(1E)) isoforms. The goal of the present study was to identify which of these ***calcium*** ***channel*** isoforms are transcribed in human osteoblast-like cell lines (hFOB, MG-63, SAOS-2, TE-85, G-292) and in cultures of normal human osteoblasts. Reverse transcriptase-PCR was used to amplify sequences corresponding to each of the ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits using isoform specific primers.

The products of the PCR reaction were cloned and sequenced to verify their identity and used to probe southern blots of the PCR reactions. The results indicate that among the different types of osteoblast-like cells examined, two ***calcium*** ***channel*** isoforms were always expressed (alpha(1C) and alpha(1A)), three isoforms were variably expressed (alpha(1S), alpha(1D) and alpha(1B)), and one isoform was not expressed in any of the osteoblast-like cells (alpha(1E)) but was easily detected in human brain controls. Our results indicate that mRNAs for

multiple ***calcium*** ***channel*** ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits are expressed in human osteoblasts, including both L-type and non-L-type isoforms. In addition, significant heterogeneity exists between the different osteoblast cell models examined in the type and mRNA abundance of the different ***calcium*** ***channel*** isoforms.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:777453 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 362PP
TITLE: Low voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channels*** from genes to function
AUTHOR: Lacinova L (Reprint); Klugbauer N; Hofmann F
CORPORATE SOURCE: TECH UNIV MUNICH, INST PHARMAKOL & TOXIKOL, BIEDERSTEINER STR 29, D-80802 MUNICH, GERMANY (Reprint); SLOVAK ACAD SCI, INST MOL PHYSIOL & GENET, BRATISLAVA 83304, SLOVAKIA
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ISSN: 0231-5882.

DOCUMENT TYPE: General Review; Journal
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: English
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ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB Cloning of three members of low-voltage-activated (LVA) ***calcium*** ***channel*** family, predominantly neuronal alpha(1G) and alpha(11), and ubiquitous alpha(1H), enabled to investigate directly their electrophysiological and pharmacological profile as well as their putative subunit composition. All the three channels are half-activated at membrane potential about -40 mV and half-inactivated at about -70 mV. Kinetics of alpha(1G) and alpha(1H) channels activation and inactivation are similar and faster than that of alpha(11) channel. All the three channels are blocked with high affinity by the organic blocker mibepradil. Another high affinity blocker is kurotoxin. Cloned LVA channels are relatively insensitive to antiepileptics, dihydropyridines and w-conotoxins. Ni²⁺ is high affinity blocker of alpha(1H) channel only. Amiloride inhibits the alpha(1H) channel. The subunit composition of LVA channel remains unclear. Cut of known high-voltage-activated ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunits, alpha(2)delta-2 and gamma-5 subunits significantly and systematically modified activation and/or inactivation of the current. In contrast, alpha(2)delta-1, alpha(2)delta-3, gamma-2 and gamma-4 subunits failed to modulate the current or had only minor effects.

L6 ANSWER 22 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 4
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000081696 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20081696
TITLE: Cloning of a ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channel isoform in insulin-secreting cells.

AUTHOR: Zhuang H; Bhattacharjee A; Hu F; Zhang M; Goswami T; Wang L; Wu S; Berggren P O; Li M
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pharmacology, College of Medicine, University of South Alabama, Mobile 36688, USA.
CONTRACT NUMBER: DK-05151 (NIDDK)
SOURCE: DIABETES, (2000 Jan) 49 (1) 59-64.

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LANGUAGE: English

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OTHER SOURCE: GENBANK-AF125161

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ENTRY WEEK: 20000304

AB The ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channel is an important determinant of electrical activity and of Ca₂₊ influx in rat and human pancreatic beta-cells. We have identified and sequenced a cDNA encoding a ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channel ***alpha1*** - subunit derived from INS-1,

the rat insulin-secreting cell line. The sequence of the cDNA indicates a protein composed of 2,288 amino acids that shares 96.3% identity to alpha1G, the neuronal ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channel subunit. The transmembrane domains of the protein are highly conserved, but the isoform

contains three distinct regions and 10 single amino acid substitutions in other regions. Sequencing rat genomic DNA revealed that the ***alpha1*** - subunit we cloned is an alternative splice isoform of alpha1G. By using specific primers and reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction, we demonstrated that both splice variants are expressed in rat islets. The isoform deduced from INS-1 was also expressed in brain, neonatal heart, and kidney. Functional expression of this alpha1G isoform in Xenopus oocytes generated low voltage-activated Ba₂₊ currents. These results provide the molecular biological basis for studies of function of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channels in beta-cells, which is where these channels may play critical roles in diabetes.

L6 ANSWER 23 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 5

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000127580 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20127580

TITLE: Determinants of voltage-dependent inactivation affect

Mibepradil block of ***calcium***

channels .

AUTHOR: Jimenez C; Bourinet E; Leuranguer V; Richard S; Snutch T P; Nargeot J

CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Génétique Humaine, CNRS UPR1142, Montpellier, France.

SOURCE: NEUROPHARMACOLOGY, (2000) 39 (1) 1-10.

Journal code: NZB. ISSN: 0028-3908.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 200004

ENTRY WEEK: 20000404

AB The voltage gated ***calcium*** ***channel*** family is a major target for a range of therapeutic drugs. Mibepradil (Ro 40-5967) belongs to a new chemical class of these molecules which differs from other Ca₂₊ antagonists by its ability to potently block ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channels. However, this molecule has also been shown to inhibit other

Ca₂₊ channel subtypes. To further analyze the mechanism governing the Ca₂₊ channel-Mibepradil interaction, we examined the effect of Mibepradil on various recombinant Ca₂₊ channels expressed in mammalian cells from their cloned cDNAs, using Ca₂₊ as the permeant ion at physiological concentration. Expression of alpha1A, alpha1C, and alpha1E in tsA 201 cells resulted in Ca₂₊ currents with functional characteristics closely related to those of their native counterparts. Mibepradil blocked alpha1A and alpha1E with a K_d comparable to that reported for ***T*** - ***type*** channels, but had a lower affinity (approximately 30-fold) for alpha1C. For each channel, inhibition by Mibepradil was consistent with high-affinity binding to the inactivated state. Modulation of the voltage-dependent inactivation properties by the nature of the coexpressed beta subunit or the ***alpha1*** splice variant altered block at the Mibepradil receptor site. Therefore, we conclude that the tissue and sub-cellular localization of ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunits as well as their specific associations are essential parameters to understand the in vivo effects of Mibepradil.

L6 ANSWER 24 OF 104 BIOSIS

2001 BIOSIS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:82581 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100082581

TITLE: Modulation of alpha1G and alpha1C Ca channels by the spider toxin ProTx-II.

AUTHOR(S): Kraus, R. L. (1); Warren, V. A.; Smith, M. M.; Middleton, R. E.; Cohen, C. J.

CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Merck Research Labs, Rahway, NJ USA

SOURCE: Society for Neuroscience Abstracts, (2000) Vol. 26, No.

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ISSN: 0190-5295.

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LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB Toxin-II from the venom of Proshapalopus anomalous (ProTx-II) was isolated based on its ability to inhibit PN1 and PN3 Na channels expressed

in Xenopus oocytes. The toxin has 6 cysteines that conform to the inhibitory cystine knot (ICK) motif found in hanatoxin (a K channel inhibitor) and omega-grammotoxin-SIA (an inhibitor of N- and P-type Ca channels). We studied inhibition of PN1 Na channels and alpha1G (***T*** - ***type***) and alpha1C (L-type) Ca channels expressed in HEK cells.

For alpha1G Ca channels, 1 μM ProTx-II shifts current activation approx 35 mV to more positive voltages and reduces the steepness of voltage

dependence of activation. The toxin slows activation even during strong depolarizations and speeds deactivation upon repolarization. Block of

current during weak depolarizations indicates an apparent IC50 simeq100 nM. Although ProTx-II inhibits channel opening, it does not alter steady-state inactivation, indicating that channels can deactivate from closed states. ProTx-II inhibits alpha1C Ca channels and PN1 Na channels with comparable potency as for alpha1G Ca channels

and with similar effects on channel activation. Thus, ProTx-II has an ICK motif also found in hanatoxin and omega-grammotoxin-SIA and it modifies channel gating in an analogous manner to these toxins. This suggests that ProTx-II does not simply occlude the pore of Na and Ca channels and instead inhibits channel activation by binding to an extracellular S3-S4 linker. ProTx-II identifies a functional domain conserved among Ca and Na channels that is important for channel activation.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:76219 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100076219

TITLE: Cloning, distribution, and functional expression of a human alpha1I low voltage-activated Ca channel.

AUTHOR(S): Gomora, J. C. (1); Daud, A.; McNaughton, N. C.; Medhurst, A.; Green, P.; Pangalos, M. N.; Randall, A. D.; Perez-Reyes, E.

CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA USA

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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB In silico cloning led to the identification of three genes that encode ***alpha1*** subunits of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca₂₊ channels:

alpha1G (Cav3.1), alpha1H (Cav3.2), and alpha1I (Cav3.3). The alpha1I subunit was discovered while cloning from a rat brain cDNA library (Lee et al., J. Neurosci. 19:1912, 1999). Here we report the cloning of the human homolog of alpha1I. Fetal brain and adult cerebellum libraries were

screened at low stringency using cDNA probes derived from rat alpha1I. The deduced amino acid sequence is 93% identical to the rat alpha1I. The human

clone has a much longer carboxyl terminus. The divergence occurs at an intron/exon boundary, with the rat cDNA being spliced in a different frame that terminates shortly thereafter. BLAST searches identified a partial clone (GenBank AB032946) that encoded the full carboxyl terminus and 3.3 kb of the 3' untranslated sequence. The distribution of alpha1I mRNA was studied using PCR amplification with Taqman, and normalized to cyclophilin. The gene is almost exclusively expressed in the brain, with high expression in cerebral cortex, basal ganglia, hippocampus, and amygdala. Expression of the channel in HEK-293 cells led to the induction of typical ***T*** - ***type*** currents, with the notable exception that they activated and inactivated much more slowly.

L6 ANSWER 26 OF 104 WPIDS

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DUPLICATE 6

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999-371096 [31]

WPIDS

DOC. NO. CPI: C1999-109562

TITLE: Subunits of ***calcium*** ***channels***

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INVENTOR(S): HANS, M; HARPOLD, M; STAUDERMAN, K; URRUTIA, A; WASHBURN, M S; WILLIAMS, M
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (SIBI-N) SIBIA NEUROSCIENCES INC; (MERI) MERCK & CO INC
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 AN 1999-371096 [31] WPIDS
 AB WO 9928342 A UPAB: 19990806
 NOVELTY - An isolated nucleic acid fragment (I) that encodes a low-voltage activated subunit of an animal ***calcium*** ***channel***.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for:
 (1) a eukaryotic cell, comprising heterologous nucleic acid that encodes an ***alpha*** ***channel*** subunit wherein the ***alpha*** ***channel*** subunit is encoded by (I);
 (2) a eukaryotic cell with a functional, heterologous ***calcium*** ***channel***, produced by a process comprising introducing into the cell heterologous nucleic acid that encodes at least one subunit of a ***calcium*** ***channel***, wherein the subunit is encoded by (I);

(3) a method for identifying a compound that modulates the activity of a ***calcium*** ***channel*** that contains an ***alpha*** ***channel*** comprising:
 (a) suspending the eukaryotic cell of any as in (1) or (2) in a solution containing the compound and a ***calcium*** ***channel*** selective ion;
 (b) depolarizing the cell membrane of the cell; and
 (c) detecting the current or ions flowing into the cell, where:
 (i) the heterologous ***calcium*** ***channel*** includes at least one ***calcium*** ***channel***

subunit encoded by DNA or RNA that is heterologous to the cell;
 (ii) the current that is detected is different from that produced by depolarizing the same or a substantially identical cell in the presence of the same ***calcium*** ***channel*** selective ion but in the absence of the compound;
 (4) a ***alpha*** ***channel*** -subunit encoded by the nucleic acid molecule (I);
 (5) an RNA or DNA probe of at least 16 bases in length, comprising at least 16 contiguous nucleic acid bases from (I) that encode an alpha 1H-subunit of a ***calcium*** ***channel***;
 (6) a eukaryotic cell, comprising a heterologous ***calcium*** ***channel*** encoded by nucleic acid encoding an ***alpha*** ***channel*** -subunit of a ***calcium*** ***channel***, wherein the heterologous ***calcium*** ***channel*** is a low voltage activated channel or a ***T*** - ***type*** channel;
 (7) an isolated nucleic acid molecule, comprising nucleotides 1506 to 2627 of the 7898 bp sequence given in the specification;

(8) a method for identifying compounds that modulate the activity of a low-voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channel***;
 (9) a screening assay for identifying a compound that modulates the activity of a low-voltage activated (LVA) ***calcium*** ***channel***;
 (10) a compound identified by the method as in (8) or (9).

(11) a method of identifying compounds for treatment of low-voltage activated (LVA) type ***calcium*** ***channel*** mediated disorders, comprising identifying compounds that modulate the activity of LVA-type channels in cells that express channels containing a subunit encoded by the nucleic acid (I).
 ACTIVITY - None given.
 MECHANISM OF ACTION - None given.
 USE - The probes can be used to identify nucleic acids that encode an alpha 1H subunit of a ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunit. The probes can also be used to identify cells or tissues that express this subunit. The method as in (11) may be used to detect neurological, endocrinological, cardiovascular, urological, hepatic, respiratory, and vascular disorders. (All claimed)
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L6 ANSWER 27 OF 104 MEDLINE
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999357772 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99357772
 TITLE: Multiple structural domains contribute to voltage-dependent inactivation of rat brain alpha(1E) ***calcium*** ***channels***.
 AUTHOR: Spaetgens R L; Zamponi G W
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Neuroscience Research Group, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta T2N 4N1, Canada.
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 AB Expression of rat alpha1G, human alpha1H and rat alpha1I subunits of voltage-activated Ca2+ channels in HEK-293 cells yields robust Ca2+ inward currents with 1.25 mM Ca2+ as the charge carrier. Both similarities and marked differences are found between their biophysical properties. Currents induced by expression of alpha1G show the fastest activation and inactivation kinetics. The alpha1H and

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ENTRY MONTH: 199911
 AB We have investigated the molecular determinants that mediate the differences in voltage-dependent inactivation properties between rapidly inactivating (R-type) alpha(1E) and noninactivating (L-type) alpha(1C) ***calcium*** ***channels***. When coexpressed in human embryonic kidney cells with ancillary beta(1b) and alpha(2)-delta subunits, the wild type channels exhibit dramatically different inactivation properties; the half-inactivation potential of alpha(1E) is 45 mV more negative than that observed with alpha(1C), and during a 150-ms test depolarization, alpha(1E) undergoes 65% inactivation compared with only about 15% for alpha(1C). To define the structural determinants that govern these intrinsic differences, we have created a series of chimeric ***calcium*** ***channel*** ***alpha*** (***alpha***) subunits that combine the major structural domains of the two wild type channels, and we investigated their voltage-dependent inactivation properties. Each of the four transmembrane domains significantly affected the half-inactivation potential, with domains II and III being most critical. In particular, substitution of alpha(1C) sequence in domains II or III with that of alpha(1E) resulted in 25-mV negative shifts in half-inactivation potential. Similarly, the differences in inactivation rate were predominantly governed by transmembrane domains II and III and to some extent by domain IV. Thus, voltage-dependent inactivation of alpha(1E) channels is a complex process that involves multiple structural domains and possibly a global conformational change in the channel protein.

L6 ANSWER 28 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPPLICATE 7
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000062483 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20062483
 TITLE: Comparison of the Ca2+ currents induced by expression of three cloned ***alpha*** subunits, alpha1G, alpha1H and alpha1I, of low-voltage-activated ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channels.
 AUTHOR: Klockner U; Lee J H; Cribbs L L; Daud A; Hescheler J; Perverzev A; Perez-Reyes E; Schneider T
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Institute of Vegetative Physiology, University of Cologne, Köln, Germany.
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 LANGUAGE: English
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 ENTRY MONTH: 200004
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 AB Expression of rat alpha1G, human alpha1H and rat alpha1I subunits of voltage-activated Ca2+ channels in HEK-293 cells yields robust Ca2+ inward currents with 1.25 mM Ca2+ as the charge carrier. Both similarities and marked differences are found between their biophysical properties. Currents induced by expression of alpha1G show the fastest activation and inactivation kinetics. The alpha1H and

alpha11 currents
 activate and inactivate up to 1.5- and 5-fold slower, respectively. No differences in the voltage dependence of steady state inactivation are detected. Currents induced by expression of alpha1G and alpha1H deactivate with time constants of up to 6 ms at a test potential of - 80 mV, but currents induced by alpha1I deactivate about three-fold faster. Recovery from short-term inactivation is more than three-fold slower for currents induced by alpha1H and alpha1I in comparison to alpha1G. In contrast to these characteristics, reactivation after long-term inactivation was fastest for currents arising from expression of alpha1I and slowest in cells expressing alpha1H. ***calcium*** ***channels***. The calcium inward current induced by expression of alpha1I is increased by positive prepulses while currents induced by alpha1H and alpha1G show little (< 5%) or no facilitation. The data thus provide a characteristic fingerprint of each channel's activity, which may allow correlation of the alpha1G, alpha1H and alpha1I induced currents with their in vivo counterparts.

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 DUPLICATE 8
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000062481 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20062481
 TITLE: Distinct kinetics of cloned ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2 + channels lead to differential Ca2 + entry and frequency-dependence during mock action potentials.
 AUTHOR: Kozlov A S; McKenna F; Lee J H; Cribbs L L; Perez-Reyes E; Feltz A; Lambert R C
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Neurobiologie Cellulaire; UPR 9009-CNRS, Strasbourg, France.
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 ENTRY MONTH: 200004
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 AB Voltage-dependent activity around the resting potential is determinant in neuronal physiology and participates in the definition of the firing pattern. Low-voltage-activated ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2 + channels directly affect the membrane potential and control a number of secondary Ca2 + -dependent permeabilities. We have studied the ability of the cloned ***T*** - ***type*** channels (alpha1G,H,I) to carry Ca2 + currents in response to mock action potentials. The relationship between the spike duration and the current amplitude is specific for each of the ***T*** - ***type*** channels, reflecting their individual kinetic properties. Typically the charge transfer increases with spike broadening, but the total Ca2 + entry saturates at different spike durations according to the channel type: 4 ms for alpha1G; 7 ms for alpha1H; and > 10 ms for alpha1I. During bursts, currents are inhibited and/or transiently potentiated according to the ***alpha1*** channel type, with larger effects at higher frequency. The inhibition may be induced by voltage-independent transitions toward inactivated

states and/or channel inactivation through intermediate closed states. The potentiation is explained by an acceleration in the channel activation kinetics. Relatively fast inactivation and slow recovery limit the ability of alpha1G and alpha1H channels to respond to high frequency stimulation (> 20 Hz). In contrast, the slow inactivation of alpha1I subunits allows these channels to continue participating in high frequency bursts (100 Hz). The biophysical properties of alpha1G, H and I channels will therefore dramatically modulate the effect of neuronal activities on Ca2 + signalling.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:61227 BIOSIS
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 TITLE: Nickel block of three cloned ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** : Low concentrations selectively block alpha1H.
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
 LANGUAGE: English
 SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
 AB Nickel has been proposed to be a selective blocker of low-voltage-activated ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels***. However, studies on cloned high-voltage-activated Ca2+ channels indicated that some subtypes, such as alpha1E, are also blocked by low micromolar concentrations of NiCl2. There are considerable differences in the sensitivity to Ni2+ among native ***T*** - ***type*** currents, leading to the hypothesis that there may be more than one ***T*** - ***type*** channel. We confirmed part of this hypothesis by cloning three novel Ca2+ channels, alpha1G, H, and I, whose currents are nearly identical to the biophysical properties of native ***T*** - ***type*** channels. In this study we examined the nickel block of these cloned ***T*** - ***type*** channels expressed in both Xenopus oocytes and HEK-293 cells (10 mM Ba2+). Only alpha1H currents were sensitive to low micromolar concentrations (IC50 = 13 μM). Much higher concentrations were required to half-block alpha1I (216 μM) and alpha1G currents (250 μM). Nickel block varied with the test potential, with less block at potentials above -30 mV. Outward currents through the T channels were blocked even less. We show that depolarizations can unblock the channel and that this can occur in the absence of permeating ions. We conclude that Ni2+ is only a selective blocker of alpha1H currents and that the concentrations required to block alpha1G and alpha1I will also affect high-voltage-activated calcium currents.

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SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 226UZ
 TITLE: Distribution of the voltage-dependent ***calcium*** ***channel*** alpha(1G) subunit mRNA and protein throughout the mature rat brain
 AUTHOR: Craig P J (Reprint); Beattie R E; Folly E A; Banerjee M D; Reeves M B; Priestley J V; Carney S L; Sher E; Perez-Reyes E; Volsen S G
 CORPORATE SOURCE: ELI LILLY & CO, LILLY RES CTR LTD, ERL WOOD MANOR, WINDLESHAM GU20 6PH, SURREY, ENGLAND (Reprint); ST BARTHOLOMEWS, DIV BIOMED SCI, NEUROSCI SECT, LONDON E1 4NS, ENGLAND; UNIV LONDON QUEEN MARY & WESTFIELD COLL, ROYAL LONDON SCH MED & DENT, LONDON E1 4NS, ENGLAND; LOYOLA UNIV, MED CTR, DEPT PHYSIOL, MAYWOOD, IL 60153
 COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: ENGLAND; USA
 SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE, (AUG 1999) Vol. 11, No. 8, pp. 2949-2964.
 Publisher: BLACKWELL SCIENCE LTD, P O BOX 88, OSNEY MEAD, OXFORD OX2 0NE, OXON, ENGLAND.
 ISSN: 0953-816X.
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
 LANGUAGE: English
 REFERENCE COUNT: 56
 ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
 AB The molecular identity of a gene which encodes the pore-forming subunit (alpha(1G)) of a member of the family of low-voltage-activated, ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** has been described recently. Although northern mRNA analyses have shown alpha(1G) to be expressed predominantly in the brain, the detailed cellular distribution of this protein in the central nervous system (CNS) has not yet been reported. The current study describes the preparation of a subunit specific alpha(1G) riboprobe and antiserum which have been used in parallel *in situ* mRNA hybridization and immunohistochemical studies to localize alpha(1G) in the mature rat brain. Both alpha(1G) mRNA and protein were widely distributed throughout the brain, but variations were observed in the relative level of expression in discrete nuclei. Immunoreactivity for alpha(1G) was typically localized in both the soma and dendrites of many neurons. Whilst alpha(1G) protein and mRNA expression were often observed in cells known to exhibit ***T*** - ***type*** current activity, some was also noted in regions, e.g. cerebellar granule cells, in which ***T*** - ***type*** activity has not been described. These observations may reflect differences between the subcellular distribution of channels that can be identified by immunohistochemical methods compared with electrophysiological techniques.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:410324
 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 198YU
 TITLE: Excitatory but not inhibitory synaptic transmission is reduced in lethargic(Cacnb4(1h)) and tottering

(Cacnla(tg)) mouse thalami
 AUTHOR: Caddick S J; Wang C S; Fletcher C F; Jenkins N A; Copeland N G; Hosford D A (Reprint)
 CORPORATE SOURCE: DUKE UNIV, DEPT MED NEUROL, BLDG 16, RM 38, 508 FULTON ST, DURHAM, NC 27705 (Reprint); DUKE UNIV, DEPT MED NEUROL, DURHAM, NC 27705; VET ADM MED CTR, DURHAM, NC 27705;
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 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROPHYSIOLOGY, (MAY 1999) Vol. 81, No. 5, pp. 2066-2074.
 Publisher: AMER PHYSIOLOGICAL SOC, 9650 ROCKVILLE PIKE, BETHESDA, MD 20814.
 ISSN: 0022-3077.
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 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
 LANGUAGE: English
 REFERENCE COUNT: 58
 ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
 AB Recent studies of the homozygous tottering (Cacnla(tg)) and lethargic mouse (Cacnb4(lh)) models of absence seizures have identified mutations in the genes encoding the alpha 1A and beta 4 subunits, respectively, of voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channels (VGCCs). beta subunits normally regulate Ca²⁺ currents via a direct interaction with ***alpha***
 1 (pore-forming) subunits of VGCCs, and VGCCs are known to play a significant role in controlling the release of transmitter from presynaptic nerve terminals in the CNS. Because the gene mutation in Cacnb4lh homozygotes results in loss of the beta 4 subunit's binding site for ***alpha*** ***1*** subunits, we hypothesized that synaptic transmission would be altered in the CNS of Cacnb4(lh) homozygotes. We tested this hypothesis by using whole cell recordings of single cells in an *in vitro* slice preparation to investigate synaptic transmission in one of the critical neuronal populations that generate seizure activity in this strain, the somatosensory thalamus. The primary finding reported here is the observation of a significant decrease in glutamatergic synaptic transmission mediated by both N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) and non-NMDA receptors in somatosensory thalamic neurons of Cacnb4(lh) homozygotes compared with matched, nonepileptic mice. In contrast, there was no significant decrease in GABAergic transmission in Cacnb4lh homozygotes nor was there any difference in effects mediated by presynaptic GABA_A receptors. We found a similar decrease in glutamatergic but not GABAergic responses in Cacnb4(lh) homozygotes, suggesting that the independent mutations in the two strains each affected P/Q channel function by causing defective neurotransmitter release specific to glutamatergic synapses in the somatosensory thalamus. This may be an important factor underlying the generation of seizures in these models.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:175716 BIOSIS
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 TITLE: Cloning and expression of a novel member of the low voltage-activated ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** family.
 AUTHOR(S): Lee, Jung-Ha; Daud, Asif N.; Cribbs, Leanne L.; Lacerda, Antonio E.; Pereverzev, Alexei; Klockner, Udo; Schneider, Toni; Perez-Reyes, Edward (1)
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 SOURCE: Journal of Neuroscience, (March 15, 1999) Vol. 19, No. 6, pp. 1912-1921.
 ISSN: 0270-6474.
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
 LANGUAGE: English
 AB Low voltage-activated Ca²⁺ channels play important roles in pacing neuronal firing and producing network oscillations, such as those that occur during sleep and epilepsy. Here we describe the cloning and expression of the third member of the ***T*** - ***type*** family, alpha1I or CavT.3, from rat brain. Northern analysis indicated that it is predominantly expressed in brain. Expression of the cloned channel in either Xenopus oocytes or stably transfected human embryonic kidney-293 cells revealed novel gating properties. We compared these electrophysiological properties to those of the cloned ***T*** - ***type*** channels alpha1G and alpha1H and to the high voltage-activated channels formed by alpha1Ebeta3. The alpha1I channels opened after small depolarizations of the membrane similar to alpha1G and alpha1H but at more depolarized potentials. The kinetics of activation and inactivation were dramatically slower, which allows the channel to act as a Ca²⁺ injector. In oocytes, the kinetics were even slower, suggesting that components of the expression system modulate its gating properties. Steady-state inactivation occurred at higher potentials than any of the other T channels, endowing the channel with a substantial window current. The alpha1I channel could still be classified as ***T*** - ***type*** by virtue of its criss-crossing kinetics, its slow deactivation (tail current), and its small (11 pS) conductance in 110 mM Ba²⁺ solutions. Based on its brain distribution and novel gating properties, we suggest that alpha1I plays important roles in determining the electroresponsiveness of neurons, and hence, may be a novel drug target.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:180877 BIOSIS
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 TITLE: Differential distribution of three members of a gene family encoding low voltage-activated (***T*** - ***type***) ***calcium*** ***channels*** .
 AUTHOR(S): Talley, Edmund M. (1); Cribbs, Leanne L.; Lee, Jung-Ha; Daud, Asif; Perez-Reyes, Edward; Bayliss, Douglas A.
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Pharmacology, Health Sciences Center, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA,

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 SOURCE: Journal of Neuroscience, (March 15, 1999) Vol. 19, No. 6, pp. 1895-1911.
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
 LANGUAGE: English
 AB Low voltage-activated (***T*** - ***type***) calcium currents are observed in many central and peripheral neurons and display distinct physiological and functional properties. Using *in situ* hybridization, we have localized central and peripheral nervous system expression of three transcripts (alpha1G, alpha1H, and alpha1I) of the ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** family (CavT). Each mRNA demonstrated a unique distribution, and expression of the three genes was largely complementary. We found high levels of expression of these transcripts in regions associated with prominent ***T*** - ***type*** currents, including inferior olfactory and thalamic relay neurons (which expressed alpha1G), sensory ganglia, pituitary, and dentate gyrus granule neurons (alpha1H), and thalamic reticular neurons (alpha1I and alpha1H). Other regions of high expression included the Purkinje cell layer of the cerebellum, the bed nucleus of the stria terminalis, the claustrum (alpha1G), the olfactory tubercles (alpha1H and alpha1I), and the subthalamic nucleus (alpha1I and alpha1G). Some neurons expressed high levels of all three genes, including hippocampal pyramidal neurons and olfactory granule cells. Many brain regions showed a predominance of labeling for alpha1G, including the amygdala, cerebral cortex, rostral hypothalamus, brainstem, and spinal cord. Exceptions included the basal ganglia, which showed more prominent labeling for alpha1H and alpha1I, and the olfactory bulb, the hippocampus, and the caudal hypothalamus, which showed more even levels of all three transcripts. Our results are consistent with the hypothesis that differential gene expression underlies pharmacological and physiological heterogeneity observed in neuronal ***T*** - ***type*** calcium currents, and they provide a molecular basis for the study of ***T*** - ***type*** channels in particular neurons.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:523019
 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 211VJ
 TITLE: Low-voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channels*** : Achievements and problems
 AUTHOR: Kostyuk P G (Reprint)
 CORPORATE SOURCE: NATL ACAD SCI UKRAINE, AA BOGOMOLETS PHYSIOL INST, UA-252601 KIEV, UKRAINE (Reprint)
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AB Low-voltage activated Ca^{2+} channels, which possess unique properties quite different from those of common (high-voltage activated) channels, were discovered 14 years ago but the first ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit has only recently been identified which might provide their structural basis. However, simultaneously, extensive data are being accumulated on the functional diversity of low-voltage activated Ca^{2+} currents with regard to their pharmacological sensitivity, ionic selectivity, activation and inactivation kinetics. Such diversity corresponds to equally prominent heterogeneity in the location and function of the channels.

This commentary summarizes the data available in an attempt to predict a possibly wider structural subdivision of low-voltage activated Ca^{2+} channels into subtypes. (C) 1999 IBRO. Published by Elsevier Science Ltd.

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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 224WJ
TITLE: Immunohistochemical detection of alpha 1E voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channel isoforms in cerebellum, INS-1 cells, and neuroendocrine cells of the digestive system

AUTHOR: Grabsch H; Pereverzev A; Weiergraber M; Schramm M; Henry M; Vajna R; Beattie R E; Volsen S G; Klockner U; Hescheler J; Schneider T (Reprint)
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AB Polyclonal antibodies were raised against a common and a specific epitope present only in longer alpha 1E isoforms of voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channels, yielding an "anti-E-com" and an "anti-E-spec" serum, respectively. The specificity of both sera was established by immunocytochemistry and immunoblotting using stably transfected HEK-293 cells or membrane proteins derived from them. Cells from the insulinoma cell line INS-1, tissue sections from cerebellum, and representative regions of gastrointestinal tract were stained immunocytochemically. INS-1 cells expressed an alpha 1E splice variant with a

longer carboxy terminus, the so-called alpha 1Ee isoform. Similarly, in rat cerebellum, which was used as a reference system, the anti-E-spec serum stained somata and dendrites of Purkinje cells. Only faint staining was seen throughout the cerebellar granule cell layer. After prolonged incubation times, neurons of the molecular layer were stained by anti-E-com, suggesting that a shorter alpha 1E isoform is expressed at a lower protein density. In human gastrointestinal tract, endocrine cells of the antral mucosa (stomach), small and large intestine, and islets of Langerhans were stained by the anti-E-spec serum. In addition, staining by the anti-E-spec serum was observed in Paneth cells and in the smooth muscle cell layer of the lamina muscularis mucosae. We conclude that the longer alpha 1Ee isoform is expressed in neuroendocrine cells of the digestive system and that, in pancreas, alpha 1Ee expression is restricted to the neuroendocrine part, the islets of Langerhans. alpha 1E therefore appears to be a common voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channel linked to neuroendocrine and related systems of the body.

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DUPLICATE 9
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000044191 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20044191
TITLE: High-voltage-activated ***calcium*** ***channel*** messenger RNA expression in the 140-3 neuroblastoma-glioma cell line.

AUTHOR: Gottschalk W; Kim D S; Chin H; Stanley E F

CORPORATE SOURCE: Synaptic Mechanisms Section, National Institutes of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, USA.
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ENTRY WEEK: 20000204
AB Expression of ***calcium*** ***channel*** ***alpha1***

subunits in oocytes or cell lines has proven to be a powerful method in the analysis of structure-function relations, but these experimental

systems are of limited value in the examination of neuron-specific

functions such as transmitter release. Cell lines derived from neurons are

often capable of these functions, but their intrinsic ***calcium***

channel ***alpha1*** subunits are complicating factors in

experimental design. We have examined the biophysical and molecular properties of ***calcium*** ***channels*** in a little studied

neuroblastoma-glioma hybrid cell line, 140-3, a close relative of the

NG108-15 cell line, to test whether this cell line might serve a role as

an expression system for neural mechanisms. This cell was selected as it

contains an intact transmitter release mechanism yet secretes little in

response to depolarization. Patch-clamp recording revealed only a

prominent low-threshold, rapidly inactivating calcium current with a

single-channel conductance of approximately 7 pS

that was identified as

T ***type*** . A search for

calcium ***channel***

alpha1 subunit messenger RNA in the

140-3 cells with three

different tests only revealed alpha 1C, whereas

alpha1A-alpha1C were

present in the parent NG108-15 line. We made a

particular effort to search

for alpha1E, since this subunit has been associated with a

low-voltage-activated current. Our findings suggest that, since the

principal nerve terminal-associated ***calcium***

channels

(alpha1A, alpha1B, alpha1E) are absent in the 140-3 cell, this cell line

may prove a particularly useful model for the

analysis of the role of

high-voltage-activated ***calcium***

channels in complex

functions of neuronal cells.

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TITLE: Voltage-operated Ca^{2+} channels and the acrosome reaction:

Which channels are present and what do they do?

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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB Evidence from pharmacological studies suggests that induction of the

acrosome reaction of mammalian spermatozoa by solubilized zona pellucida,

and possibly by progesterone, is dependent upon

Ca^{2+} influx through voltage-operated Ca^{2+} channels. Studies on Ca^{2+} accumulation and membrane

potential in ligand-stimulated or artificially depolarized spermatozoa

support such a conclusion. Electrophysiological studies on rodent

spermatozoa have revealed the presence of a

T

type voltage-operated Ca^{2+} current. This current has

pharmacological attributes consistent with those of the putative channel

responsible for Ca^{2+} influx mediating the acrosome reaction. However, use

of molecular techniques to study human and rodent testis and spermatozoic

cells has detected the presence of three different

voltage-operated Ca^{2+}

channel subunits. One of these (. ***alpha*** .

1 (E) may

generate T-currents, though this is currently

disputed. Voltage-operated

Ca^{2+} channel structure and the relationship between

channel subunit

expression and the characteristics of consequent

Ca^{2+} currents is briefly

reviewed. The nature and function of

T-channel-mediated Ca^{2+} influx is

examined in the context of the time-course of ligand-

and depolarization-induced elevation of $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ in

mammalian spermatozoa. It

is likely that a secondary Ca^{2+} response

(mobilization of stored Ca^{2+} or

activation of a second Ca^{2+} -influx pathway) is

required for the acrosome reaction. Evidence for the existence and participation

of various candidates is discussed (including voltage-operated Ca^{2+} channels, which may be functionally expressed only in mature spermatozoa), the available evidence favouring a secondary Ca^{2+} -influx pathway. Immediate priorities for future research in this area are proposed.

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DUPLICATE 10
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TITLE: Structure and functional characterization of a novel human low-voltage activated ***calcium*** ***channel***
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AB We have isolated and characterized overlapping cDNAs encoding a novel, voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channel ***alpha1*** subunit, alpha1H, from a human medullary thyroid carcinoma cell line. The alpha1H subunit is structurally similar to previously described ***alpha1*** subunits. Northern blot analysis indicates that alpha1H mRNA is expressed throughout the brain, primarily in the amygdala, caudate nucleus, and putamen, as well as in several nonneuronal tissues, with relatively high levels in the liver, kidney, and heart. Ba^{2+} currents recorded from human embryonic kidney 293 cells transiently expressing alpha1H activated at relatively hyperpolarized potentials (-50 mV), rapidly inactivated ($\tau = 17$ ms), and slowly deactivated. Similar results were observed in Xenopus oocytes expressing alpha1H. Single-channel measurements in human embryonic kidney 293 cells revealed a single-channel conductance of approximately 9 pS. These channels are blocked by Ni^{2+} ($\text{IC}_{50} = 6.6$ μM) and the ***T***. ***type*** channel antagonists mibepradil (approximately 50% block at 1 μM) and amiloride ($\text{IC}_{50} = 167$ μM). Thus, alpha1H-containing channels exhibit biophysical and pharmacological properties characteristic of low voltage-activated, or ***T***. ***type***, Ca^{2+} channels.

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ISSN: 0031-6768.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: English
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ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB A member of the low-voltage-activated ***calcium*** ***channel*** family was identified in mouse brain by taking advantage of amino acid sequences that have been evolutionary conserved. The identified sequence is similar to that of the recently cloned rat alpha(1G) ***T***. ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel***, but there are differences in two insertions in the intracellular connecting loops. Northern blot analysis indicates that its expression is strong in the brain. In situ hybridization revealed that, in mouse brain, the alpha(1G) mRNA is found in the cerebellum, hippocampus, thalamus and olfactory bulb. In contrast to L-type ***calcium*** ***channel*** currents, I-Ba and I-Ca through the alpha(1G) channel expressed in HEK293 cells did not differ in terms of current density, voltage dependence of current activation, inactivation and deactivation, and speed of recovery from voltage-dependent inactivation. The kinetics of I-Ca inactivation were significantly slower than those of I-Ba. The expressed alpha(1G) channel has a relatively high sensitivity to mibepradil, but is only slightly affected by Ni^{2+} .
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:247247 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900247247
TITLE: Absence of modulation of the expressed ***calcium*** ***channel*** alpha1G subunit by alpha2delta subunits.
AUTHOR(S): Lacinova, L. (1); Klugbauer, N.; Hofmann, F.
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Institut fuer Pharmakologie und Toxikologie der Technischen Universitaet Muenchen, Biedersteiner Strasse 29, 80802, Muenchen Germany
SOURCE: Journal of Physiology (Cambridge), (May 1, 1999) Vol. 516, No. 3, pp. 639-645.
ISSN: 0022-3751.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
AB 1. The modulatory action of the alpha2delta subunit on various high-voltage-activated ***calcium*** ***channels*** has been demonstrated previously. However, very little is known about auxiliary subunit modulation of low-voltage-activated (LVA) ***calcium*** ***channels***. We have examined the modulation of the alpha1G subunit corresponding to the neuronal ***T***. ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** by the ubiquitously expressed alpha2delta-1 and brain-specific alpha2delta-3 subunits. 2. The alpha1G subunit was expressed alone or in combination with either the alpha2delta-1 or alpha2delta-3 subunit in human embryonic kidney (HEK 293) cells and

whole-cell barium currents were measured. The current density-voltage relationships for peak and sustained current, kinetics of current activation and inactivation, voltage dependence of current inactivation and time course of the recovery from inactivation were analysed for each type of expressed channel. No significant difference was found for any of the examined parameters. 3. These results suggest that the LVA alpha1G channel is not regulated by known auxiliary alpha2delta subunits.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:467531
SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 205MM
TITLE: Isoforms of alpha 1E voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels*** in rat cerebellar granule cells - Detection of major ***calcium*** ***channel*** ***alpha*** ***1*** transcripts by reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction
AUTHOR: Schramm M; Vajna R; Pereverzev A; Tottene A; Klockner U; Pietrobon D; Hescheler J; Schneider T
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CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV COLOGNE, INST NEUROPHYSIOL, ROBERT KOCH STR 39, D-50931 COLOGNE, GERMANY
(Reprint); UNIV COLOGNE, INST NEUROPHYSIOL, D-50931 COLOGNE, GERMANY; UNIV COLOGNE, INST VEGETAT PHYSIOL, D-50931 COLOGNE, GERMANY; UNIV PADUA, DEPT BIOMED SCI, I-35121 PADUA, ITALY
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: GERMANY, ITALY
SOURCE: NEUROSCIENCE, (JUN 1999) Vol. 92, No. 2, pp. 565-575.
Publisher: PERGAMON-ELSEVIER SCIENCE LTD, THE BOULEVARD, LANGFORD LANE, KIDLINGTON, OXFORD OX5 1GB, ENGLAND.
ISSN: 0306-4522.
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ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB In primary cultures of rat cerebellar granule cells, transcripts of voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channels have been amplified by reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction and identified by sequencing of subcloned polymerase chain reaction products. In these neurons cultured for six to eight days in vitro, fragments of the three major transcripts alpha 1C, alpha 1A, and alpha 1E are detected using degenerated oligonucleotide primer pairs under highly stringent conditions. Whole-cell Ca^{2+} current recordings from six to eight days in vitro granule cells show that most of the current is due to L-type (25%), P-type (33%) and R-type (30%) Ca^{2+} channels. These data support the correlation between alpha 1A and P-type Ca^{2+} channels (G1) and between alpha 1E and R-type channels (G2 and G3). By including specific primer pairs for alpha 1E the complimentary DNA fragments of indicative regions of alpha 1E isoforms are amplified corresponding to the three most variable regions of alpha 1E, the 5'-end, the II/III-loop, and the central part of the 3'-end. Although the complementary DNA fragments of the 5'-end of rat alpha 1E yield a uniform

reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction product, its structure is unusual in the sense that it is longer than in the cloned rat alpha 1E complementary DNA. It corresponds to the alpha 1E isoform reported for mouse and human brain and is also expressed in cerebellum and cerebrum of rat brain as the major or maybe even the only variant of alpha 1E. While fragments of a new rat alpha 1E isoform are amplified from the 5'-end, three known fragments of the II/III-loop and two known isoforms homologous to the 3'-coding region are detected, which in the last case are discriminated by a 129 base pair insertion. The shift of the alpha 1E expression from a pattern seen in cerebellum (alpha 1Ee) to a pattern identified in other regions of the brain (alpha 1E-3) is discussed.

These data show that: (i) alpha 1E is expressed in rat brain as a structural homologue to the mouse and human alpha 1E; and (ii) rat cerebellar granule cells in primary culture express a set of alpha 1E isoforms, containing two different sized carboxy termini. Since no new transcripts of high-voltage-activated Ca^{2+} channels genes are identified using degenerate oligonucleotide primer pairs, the two isoforms differentiated by the 129 base pair insertion might correspond to the two

R-type channels, G2 and G3, characterized in these neurons. Functional studies including recombinant cells with the different proposed isoforms should provide more evidence for this conclusion.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999448596 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99448596
TITLE: Osteoblasts derived from load-bearing bones of the rat express both L- and T-like voltage-operated Ca^{2+} channels and mRNA for alpha 1C, alpha 1D and alpha 1G subunits.

AUTHOR: Gu Y; Preston M R; el Haj A J; Hamid J; Zamponi G W; Howl J; Publicover S J

CORPORATE SOURCE: School of Biological Sciences, University of Birmingham, UK.

SOURCE: PFLUGERS ARCHIV. EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY, (1999 Sep) 438 (4) 553-60.

Journal code: OZX. ISSN: 0031-6768.

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LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

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AB Voltage operated Ca^{2+} channels

Ca^{2+} channels (VOCCs) are

implicated in osteoblastic mechano- and hormonal transduction. Very little, however, is known about the expression of VOCCs in osteoblasts of load-bearing bones. Here we describe two types of whole-cell calcium

current in rat femoral explant-derived osteoblasts. The first is

high-voltage activated and sensitive to nifedipine, Bay K8644 and FPL

64176. The second is low-voltage activated and is sensitive to micromolar

concentrations of Ca^{2+} . The properties of these two currents are

consistent with those of L-type and Ca^{2+} channels. Combinations of the pore-forming subunits with one of the three β -subunits could account for functional differences between smooth muscle cells from distinct regions. A better understanding of the structure and function of these channels may help in our understanding of diseases affecting smooth muscle and help in the development of novel drugs targeting these mols.

4-day period of study. The reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction with non-specific primers directed against all L-type VOCC Ca^{2+} channels subunits and then with specific primers directed against sequences from rat brain alpha 1C (L-type), alpha 1D (L-type) and alpha 1G (T-type) VOCC subunits detected transcripts of appropriate size in all four cases. Products from the three sets of specific primer pairs (alpha 1C, alpha 1D, alpha 1G) were sequenced and were identical to their respective rat brain templates.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:338939 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 131:156147
TITLE: Molecular diversity of voltage-sensitive Ca^{2+} channels in smooth muscle cells
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CODEN: JLCMAK; ISSN: 0022-2143

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English
AB Voltage-sensitive Ca^{2+} channels play an important

role in the excitation-contraction coupling of smooth muscle. Several subunits form the oligomeric channel complex and determine its functional properties. Therefore a differential distribution of the various channel subunits and their splice forms could contribute to the functional specialization of smooth muscle cells. To test this hypothesis, specific

primers were designed to amplify mRNA from vascular and gastrointestinal smooth muscle of the rabbit by reverse transcription and polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR). The presence of high- and low-threshold voltage-dependent Ca^{2+} channels was also examined in a smooth muscle-derived cell line (A7RS).

Consistent with the physiological data, smooth muscle contains mRNA for the pore-forming subunits of high- and low-threshold voltage-dependent Ca^{2+} channels.

Ca^{2+} channels are composed of α -1C and α -1G. Three splice variants of the α -1C subunit were identified in smooth muscle. These may affect

dihydropyridine binding and the interaction between the α -1C and the β -subunit. In addition, three of the four cloned β -subunits

(β -1b, β -2, and β -3) could be found in all smooth muscle

tissues examined. These data demonstrate that various splice forms of the L-type Ca^{2+} channels exist in smooth muscle tissue.

Moreover, these experiments also show for the first time that smooth muscle cells contain mRNA for low-threshold voltage-sensitive Ca^{2+}

channels. Combinations of the pore-forming subunits with one of the three β -subunits could account for functional differences between smooth muscle cells from distinct regions. A better understanding of the structure and function of these channels may help in our understanding of diseases affecting smooth muscle and help in the development of novel drugs targeting these mols.

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REFERENCE(S): (1) Ackerman, M; N Engl J Med 1997, V336, P1575 CAPLUS

(2) Biel, M; Eur J Biochem 1991, V200, P81 CAPLUS

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:522816 SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 211TD

TITLE: Discrete regional distributions suggest diverse functional roles of Ca^{2+} channels in sperm

AUTHOR: Westenbroek R E; Babcock D F (Reprint)

CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV WASHINGTON, DEPT PHYSIOL & BIOPHYS 357290, SEATTLE, WA 98195 (Reprint); UNIV

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SOURCE: DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY, (15 MAR 1999) Vol. 207, No. 2, pp. 457-469.

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal

FILE SEGMENT: LIFE

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ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB The Ca^{2+} channels of male germ-line cells are partially characterized, but the molecular properties and subcellular

localization of the Ca^{2+} channels of mature sperm are unknown. Here, we probe rodent sperm with anti-peptide antibodies directed to cytosolic domains of cloned rat brain

α (1A), α (1C), and α (1E) Ca^{2+} channel subunits. Each recognizes a

200- to 245-kDa band on immunoblots of whole rat sperm extracts. A smaller

(similar to 110-kDa) α (1C) band also is detected. Confocal

fluorescence images of mouse sperm show characteristic patterns of

punctate α (1A), α (1C), and α (1E) immunoreactivity. For

α (1A) the puncta are larger, less numerous, and more variable in

distribution than for α (1C) and α (1E). They are absent from the

acrosomal crescent, but are present elsewhere over the sperm head, often

at the apical tip and equatorial segment. They also are found at irregular

intervals along both the midpiece and the principal piece of the

flagellum. For α (1C) and α (1E), puncta are dense along dorsal and

ventral aspects of the acrosomal cap. For alpha(1E) but not alpha(1C), the remainder of the acrosomal region also is labeled. Neither is found in the postacrosomal region or on the midpiece. Puncta of alpha(1C) and alpha(1E) occur at regular intervals each in two parallel rows, at the dorsal and ventral aspects of the proximal segment of the flagellar principal piece. The puncta in these arrays become less abundant and intense in the distal flagellum. These results demonstrate that multiple Ca channel proteins are present in mature sperm and are regionally localized in ways that may give them different regulatory roles. (C) 1999 Academic Press.

L6 ANSWER 46 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS DUPLICATE 12
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:186400 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900186400
TITLE: Cloning of the rat beta-cell ***T***
- ***type***
calcium ***channel***
alpha1 subunit and its regulation by glucose.
AUTHOR(S): Zhuang, H. (1); Hu, F.; Bhattacharjee, A.; Zhang, M.; Li, M.
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dept of Pharmacology, University of South Alabama College of Medicine, Mobile, AL USA
SOURCE: Biophysical Journal, (Jan., 1999) Vol. 76, No. 1 PART 2, pp. A409.
Meeting Info.: Forty-third Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society Baltimore, Maryland, USA February 13-17, 1999
ISSN: 0006-3495.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:193964 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900193964
TITLE: Arachidonic acid modulation of alpha1H, a cloned human ***T*** - ***type***
calcium ***channel***
AUTHOR(S): Zhang, Yi (1); Cribbs, Leanne L.; Perez-Reyes, Edward; Satin, Jonathan
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dept of Physiology, Univ. of Kentucky Col of Med, Lexington, KY, 40536-0298 USA
SOURCE: Biophysical Journal, (Jan., 1999) Vol. 76, No. 1 PART 2, pp. A408.
Meeting Info.: Forty-third Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society Baltimore, Maryland, USA February 13-17, 1999
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LANGUAGE: English

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:278944
SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 183DU
TITLE: Identification of structural elements of the testis-specific voltage dependent ***calcium*** ***channel*** that potentially regulate its biophysical properties.
AUTHOR: Goodwin L O (Reprint); Leeds N B; Guzowski D; Hurley I R; Pergolizzi R G; Benoff S
CORPORATE SOURCE: NYU, N SHORE UNIV

HOSP, SCH MED, DEPT RES, MANHASSET, NY 11030 (Reprint); NYU, N SHORE UNIV HOSP, SCH MED, DEPT OBSTET & GYNECOL, MANHASSET, NY 11030; NYU, SCH MED, DEPT CELL BIOL, MANHASSET, NY
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA
SOURCE: MOLECULAR HUMAN REPRODUCTION, (APR 1999) Vol. 5, No. 4, pp. 311-322.
Publisher: OXFORD UNIV PRESS, GREAT CLARENDON ST, OXFORD OX2 6DP, ENGLAND.
ISSN: 1360-9947.

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FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: English
REFERENCE COUNT: 98
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB Calcium influx through voltage-dependent ***calcium*** ***channels*** regulates the physiological acrosome reaction of mammalian spermatozoa. Expression of the mRNA for these voltage-dependent ***calcium*** ***channels*** and its co-ordinated translation is initiated early in rat male germ line development and continues throughout spermatogenesis. Herein, we report the complete mRNA and deduced amino acid sequence of the ***alpha*** ***1*** (C) pore-forming subunit of the rat testis-specific L-type ***calcium*** ***channel***.

This subunit is transcribed from the ***alpha*** ***1*** (C) gene, which is also expressed in brain and cardiac muscle. The cardiac- and testis-specific isoforms of the ale subunit are produced by alternate splicing of the same primary transcript. The testis-specific isoform differs from that of cardiac tissue at its amino terminus and in transmembrane segments IS6, IIIS2 and IVS3, which are also dihydropyridine binding sites. In somatic tissues, segments S2 and S3 regulate channel activation while the amino terminus and segment IS6 contribute to channel inactivation kinetics. The amino terminus and IS6 segment of the testis-specific ***alpha*** ***1*** (C) subunit are also expressed respectively, in the brain and in smooth muscle from lung where they alter the electrophysiological characteristics of the subunit to produce relatively slow inactivation kinetics. These findings provide a molecular explanation for the detection by others, by patch clamp analysis, of ***T*** - ***type*** calcium currents in immature spermatogenic cells and of atypical L-type calcium currents in mature spermatozoa.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:424815
SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 201BN
TITLE: beta subunit reshuffling modifies N- and P/Q-type Ca2+ channel subunit compositions in lethargic mouse brain
AUTHOR: Burgess D L; Biddlecome G H; McDonough S I; Diaz M E; Zilinski C A; Bean B P; Campbell K P; Noebels J L (Reprint)
CORPORATE SOURCE: BAYLOR COLL MED, DEPT NEUROL, HOUSTON, TX 77030 (Reprint); BAYLOR COLL MED, DEPT NEUROL, HOUSTON, TX 77030; BAYLOR COLL MED, DEPT MOL & HUMAN GENET, HOUSTON, TX 77030; UNIV

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COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA
SOURCE: MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR NEUROSCIENCE, (APR 1999) Vol. 13, No. 4, pp. 293-311.
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ISSN: 1044-7431.

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ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB Neuronal voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels are heteroolymers of ***alpha*** (***1***), beta, and alpha(2)delta subunits, and any one of five ***alpha*** (***1***) subunits (alpha(1A-E)) may associate with one of four beta subunits (beta(1-4)) The specific ***alpha*** (***1***)-beta combination assembled determines single-channel properties, while variation in the proportion of each combination contributes to the functional diversity of neurons. The mouse mutant

lethargic (lh) exhibits severe neurological defects due to a mutation that deletes the ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit interaction domain of the beta(4) subunit. Since beta subunits regulate critical ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit properties in heterologous expression systems, loss of beta(4) in lethargic could dramatically alter channel localization and behavior unless beta(1-3), subunits can be used as substitutes in vivo.

Here we demonstrate increased steady-state associations of alpha(1A) and alpha(1B) with the remaining beta(1-3), subunits, without significant changes in beta(1-3), mRNA abundance. The immunolocalization of alpha(1A) and alpha(1B) protein in lethargic brain is indistinguishable from wild-type by light microscopy. Furthermore, the measurement of large-amplitude beta-type currents in dissociated lethargic Purkinje neurons indicates that these alpha(1A)-containing channels retain regulation by beta subunits. We conclude that several properties of alpha(1A) and alpha(1B) proteins are not uniquely regulated by beta(4) in vivo and may be rescued by beta(1-3) subunit reshuffling. The complex neurological manifestation of the lethargic mutation therefore emerges

from loss of beta(4) coupled with the widespread pairing of surrogate beta subunits with multiple Ca2+ channel subtypes. The existence of beta subunit reshuffling demonstrates that molecular plasticity of Ca2+ channel assembly, a normal feature of early brain development, is retained in the mature brain.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:66974 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000066974
TITLE: Identification of human alpha1G ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel*** splice variants.
AUTHOR(S): Monteil, A. (1); Chemin, J. (1); Spiesser, S. (1); Bourinet, E. (1); Lory, P. (1); Nargeot, J.

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 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Institut de Génétique
 Humaine, CNRS UPR1142, 141 Rue de
 la Cardonnière, 34396, Montpellier France
 SOURCE: Society for Neuroscience Abstracts,
 (1999) Vol. 25, No.
 1-2, pp. 197.
 Meeting Info.: 29th Annual Meeting of the
 Society for
 Neuroscience, Part 1 Miami Beach,
 Florida, USA October
 23-28, 1999 The Society for Neuroscience
 ISSN: 0190-5295.
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 LANGUAGE: English

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000014446 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20014446
 TITLE: Structure and alternative splicing of the
 gene encoding
 alpha1G, a human brain T ***calcium***
 channel
 alpha1 subunit.
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 (1999 Oct 29) 274 (3) 143-6.
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 GENBANK-AF134986
 ENTRY MONTH: 200002
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 AB The structure of CACNA1G, the gene encoding
 alpha1G, a human brain T Ca²⁺
 channel ***alpha1*** subunit, was determined
 by comparison of
 polymerase chain reaction-amplified brain cDNA
 and genomic sequences. The
 gene consists of at least 38 exons, two of them
 newly-identified, spanning
 at least 66490 basepairs of chromosome 17q22.
 Alternative splicing of the
 RNA occurs at six sites: cassette exons 14, 26, 34
 and 35, an internal
 donor in exon 25 and protein-coding intron 38B.
 Additionally, the RNA can
 be polyadenylated at either of two sites. Alternative
 splicing of CACNA1G
 RNA may lead to expression of as many as 24
 distinct protein products,
 ranging from 2171 to 2377 amino-acids residues.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:543509
 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 213WQ
 TITLE: Structure and alternative splicing of
 the gene encoding
 alpha(1I), a human brain T
 calcium
 channel ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit
 AUTHOR: Mittman S (Reprint); Guo J;
 Emerick M C; Agnew W S
 CORPORATE SOURCE: JOHNS HOPKINS UNIV,
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COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA
 SOURCE: NEUROSCIENCE LETTERS, (16
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 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
 LANGUAGE: English
 REFERENCE COUNT: 18
 *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE
 ALL AND IALL FORMATS*
 AB The structure of CACNA1I, the gene encoding
 alpha(1I), a human brain T
 Ca²⁺ channel ***alpha*** (***1***) subunit,
 was determined by
 comparison of polymerase chain reaction-amplified
 brain cDNA and genomic
 sequences. The gene consists of at least 36 exons
 spanning at least 115
 168 basepairs of chromosome 22q12.3-13.2. The
 predicted protein has 2016
 amino acids and 28 potential phosphorylation sites.
 Alternative splicing
 of the gene occurs at two sites: cassette exon 9 and
 an alternative
 acceptor in exon 33. Molecular diversity generated
 by alternative splicing
 and post-translational modification of this and other
 members of the T
 alpha (***1***) subunit gene family
 may account for the
 observed heterogeneity of T currents in central
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 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 241BD
 TITLE: Single gene defects in mice: the role
 of voltage-dependent
 calcium ***channels*** in
 absence models
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 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE; CLIN
 LANGUAGE: English
 REFERENCE COUNT: 102
 *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE
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 AB Nineteen genes encoding ***alpha*** (***1***), beta, gamma, or
 alpha(2)delta voltage-dependent ***calcium***
 channel
 subunits have been identified to date. Recent studies
 have found that
 three of these genes are mutated in mice with
 generalised cortical
 spike-wave discharges (models of human absence
 epilepsy), emphasising the
 importance of ***calcium*** ***channels***
 in regulating the
 expression of this inherited seizure phenotype. The
 tottering (tg) locus
 encodes the ***calcium*** ***channel***
 alpha (***1***) subunit gene Cacna1a, lethargic (lh) encodes the
 beta subunit gene
 Cacnb4, and stargazer (stg) encodes the (gamma)
 over dot subunit gene
 Cacng2. These ***calcium*** ***channel***

mutants should provide
 important insights into the basic mechanisms of
 neuronal synchronisation,
 and the genes may be considered candidates for
 involvement in similar
 human disorders. The mutant models offer an
 important opportunity to
 elucidate the molecular, developmental, and
 physiological mechanisms
 underlying one subtype of absence epilepsy. Since
 calcium
 channels are involved in numerous
 cellular functions, including
 proliferation and differentiation, membrane
 excitability, neurite
 outgrowth and synaptogenesis, signal transduction,
 and gene expression,
 their role in generating the absence epilepsy
 phenotype may be complex. A
 comparative analysis of channel function and neural
 excitability patterns
 in tottering, lethargic, and stargazer brain should be
 useful in
 identifying the common elements of
 calcium ***channel***
 involvement in these absence models. (C) 1999
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 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 230GW
 TITLE: Anion channel blockers differentially
 affect ***T*** -
 type Ca²⁺ currents of mouse
 spermatogenic cells,
 alpha 1E currents expressed in Xenopus
 oocytes and the
 sperm acrosome reaction
 AUTHOR: Espinosa F; LopezGonzalez I;
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 LANGUAGE: English
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 *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE
 ALL AND IALL FORMATS*
 AB The direct electrophysiological characterization
 of sperm Ca²⁺ channels
 has been precluded by their small size and flat shape.
 An alternative to
 study these channels is to use spermatogenic cells,
 the progenitors of
 sperm, which are larger and easier to patch-clamp. In
 mouse and rat, the
 only voltage-dependent Ca²⁺ currents displayed by
 these cells are of the
 T ***type***. Because compounds
 that block these currents
 inhibit the zona pellucida-induced Ca²⁺ uptake and
 the sperm acrosome
 reaction (AR) at similar concentrations, it is likely
 that they are
 fundamental for this process. Recent single channel
 recordings in mouse
 sperm demonstrated the presence of a Cl- channel.
 This channel and the

zona pellucida (ZP)-induced AR were inhibited by niflumic acid (NA), an anion channel blocker [Espinosa et al. (1998): FEBS lett 426:47-51].

Because NA and other anion channel blockers modulate cationic channels as well, it became important to determine whether they affect the ***T***.

- ***type*** Ca²⁺ currents of spermatogenic cells. These currents were blocked in a voltage-dependent manner by NA, 1,9-dideoxyskofolin (DDF), and 5-nitro-2-(3-phenylpropylamine)benzoic acid (NPPB). The IC₅₀ values at -20 mV were 43 nM for NA, 28 nM for DDF, and 15 nM for NPPB.

Moreover, DDF partially inhibited the ZP-induced AR (40% at 1 nM) and

NPPB displayed an IC₅₀ value of 6 nM for this reaction. These results

suggest that NA and DDF do not inhibit the ZP-induced AR by blocking

T - ***type*** Ca²⁺ currents, while NPPB may do so.

Interestingly 200 nM NA was basically unable to inhibit alpha 1E Ca²⁺ channels expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes, questioning that this alpha subunit

codes for the ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels present in

spermatogenic cells. Evidence for the presence of alpha 1C, alpha 1G, and

alpha 1H in mouse pachytene spermatocytes and in round and condensing

spermatids is presented. *Dev. Genet.* 25:103-114, 1999. (C) 1999

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SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 232KP

TITLE: The effect of alpha 2-delta and other accessory subunits

on expression and properties of the

calcium

channel alpha 1G

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AB 1. The effect has been examined of the accessory alpha 2-delta and beta subunits on the properties of alpha 1G-currents expressed in monkey COS-7

cells and *Xenopus* oocytes.

2. In immunocytochemical experiments, the co-expression of alpha 2-delta increased plasma membrane localization of expressed alpha 1G and

conversely the heterologous expression of alpha 1G increased immunostaining for endogenous alpha 2-delta, suggesting an interaction between the two subunits.

3. Heterologous expression of alpha 2-delta together with alpha 1G in COS-7 cells increased the amplitude of expressed alpha 1G currents by about 2-fold. This finding was confirmed in the *Xenopus* oocyte expression system. The truncated delta construct did not increase alpha 1G current amplitude, or increase its plasma membrane expression. This indicates that it is the exofacial alpha 2 domain that is involved in the enhancement by alpha 2-delta.

4. Beta 1b also produced an increase of functional expression of alpha 1G, either in the absence or the presence of heterologously expressed alpha 2-delta, whereas the other beta subunits had much smaller effects.

5. None of the accessory subunits had any marked influence on the voltage dependence or kinetics of the expressed alpha 1G currents. These results therefore suggest that alpha 2-delta and beta 1b interact with alpha 1G to increase trafficking of, or stabilize, functional alpha 1G channels expressed at the plasma membrane.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV20000085729

TITLE: Determinants of voltage-dependent inactivation affect

Mibepradil block of ***calcium***

channels

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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB The voltage gated ***calcium***

channel family is a major

target for a range of therapeutic drugs. Mibepradil (Ro 40-5967) belongs to a new chemical class of these molecules which

differs from other Ca²⁺ antagonists by its ability to potently block ***T*** - ***type***

Ca²⁺ channels. However, this molecule has also been shown to inhibit other

Ca²⁺ channel subtypes. To further analyze the mechanism governing the Ca²⁺ channel-Mibepradil interaction, we examined the effect of Mibepradil on various recombinant Ca²⁺ channels expressed in

mammalian cells from their cloned cDNAs, using Ca²⁺ as the permeant ion at physiological

concentration. Expression of alpha 1A, alpha 1C and alpha 1E in tsA 201 cells resulted in Ca²⁺ currents with functional characteristics closely related

to those of their native counterparts. Mibepradil blocked alpha 1A and alpha 1E with a K_d comparable to that reported for

T - ***type*** channels, but had a lower affinity (apprx30-fold) for alpha 1C. For each

channel, inhibition by Mibepradil was consistent with high-affinity

binding to the inactivated state. Modulation of the voltage-dependent

inactivation properties by the nature of the coexpressed beta subunit or

the ***alpha 1*** splice variant altered block at the Mibepradil receptor site. Therefore, we conclude that the tissue

and sub-cellular

localization of ***calcium*** ***channel*** subunits as well as their specific associations are essential parameters to understand the in vivo effects of Mibepradil.

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SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 136YV

TITLE: Selective peptide antagonist of the class E

calcium ***channel*** from the venom of the tarantula *Hysterocrates gigas*

AUTHOR: Newcomb R (Reprint); Szoke B; Palma A; Wang G; Chen X H; Hopkins W; Cong R; Miller J; Urge L; TarczayHomoch K; Loo

J A; Dooley D J; Nadasi L; Tsien R W; Lemos J; Miljanich G

CORPORATE SOURCE: ELAN PHARMACEUT INC, 3760 HAVEN AVE, MENLO PK, CA 94025 (Reprint); UNIV MASSACHUSETTS, MED CTR, DEPT PHYSIOL, WORCESTER, MA 01655; WARNER

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Publisher: AMER CHEMICAL SOC, 1155 16TH ST, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20036. ISSN: 0006-2960.

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AB We describe the first potent and selective blocker of the class E

Ca²⁺-channel, SNX-482, a novel 41 amino acid peptide present in the venom of the African tarantula, *Hysterocrates gigas*, was identified through its

ability to inhibit human class E Ca²⁺ channels stably expressed in a mammalian cell line. An IC₅₀ of 15-30 nM was obtained for block of the

class E Ca²⁺ channel, using either patch clamp electrophysiology or

K⁺-evoked Ca²⁺ flux. At low nanomolar concentrations, SNX-482 also blocked a native resistant or R-type Ca²⁺ current in rat

neurohypophyseal nerve terminals, but concentrations of 200-500 nM had no effect on R-type Ca²⁺ cut- rents in several types of rat central neurons. The peptide has the sequence

GVDKAGCR YMFGGCSVNDDCCPRLGCHSLFSY CAWDLTFSD-OH and is homologous to the spider peptides graminatoxin S1A and hanatoxin, both peptides with very

different ion channel blocking selectivities. No effect of SNX-482 was observed on the following ion channel activities:

Na⁺ or K⁺ currents in several cultured cell types (up to 500 nM); K⁺ current through cloned

potassium channels Kv1.1 and Kv1.4 expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes (up to 140 nM); Ca²⁺ flux through L- and ***T*** -

type Ca²⁺ channels in an anterior pituitary cell line (GH3, up to 500 nM);

and Ba²⁺ current
through class A Ca²⁺ channels expressed in
Xenopus oocytes (up to 280 nM).
A weak effect was noted on Ca²⁺ current through
cloned and stably
expressed class B Ca²⁺ channels (IC₅₀ > 500 nM).
The unique selectivity of
SNX-482 suggests its usefulness in studying the
diversity, function, and
pharmacology of class E and/or R-type Ca²⁺
channels.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:107992
TITLE: Single-cell RT-PCR and functional
characterization of
Ca²⁺ channels in motoneurons of the rat
facial nucleus
AUTHOR(S): Plant, T. D.; Schirra, C.; Katz,
E.; Uchitel, O. D.;
Konnerth, A.
CORPORATE SOURCE: I. Physiologisches
Institut, Universitat des
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SOURCE: J. Neurosci. (1998), 18(23),
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CODEN: INRSDS; ISSN: 0270-6474
PUBLISHER: Society for Neuroscience
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English
AB Voltage-dependent Ca²⁺ channels are a major
pathway for Ca²⁺ entry in
neurons. We have studied the electrophysiol.,
pharmacol., and mol.
properties of voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channels in
motoneurons of the rat facial
nucleus in slices of the brainstem. Most facial
motoneurons express both
low voltage-activated (LVA) and high
voltage-activated (HVA) Ca²⁺ channel
currents. The HVA current is composed of a no. of
pharmacol. separable
components, including 30% of N-type and .apprx.5%
of L-type. Despite the
dominating role of P-type Ca²⁺ channels in
transmitter release at facial
motoneuron terminals described in previous studies,
these channels were
not present in the cell body. Remarkably, most of
the HVA current was
carried through a new type of Ca²⁺ channel that is
resistant to toxin and
dihydropyridine block but distinct from the R-type
currents described in
other neurons. Using reverse transcription followed
by PCR amplification
(RT-PCR) with a powerful set of primers designed
to amplify all HVA
subtypes of the . ***alpha*** . ***1***
-subunit, we identified a
highly heterogeneous expression pattern of Ca²⁺
channel . ***alpha*** .
1 -subunit mRNA in individual neurons
consistent with the Ca²⁺
current components found in the cell bodies and
axon terminals. We
detected mRNA for .alpha.1A in 86% of neurons,
.alpha.1B in 59%, .alpha.1C
in 18%, .alpha.1D in 18%, and .alpha.1E in 59%.
Either .alpha.1A or
.alpha.1B mRNAs (or both) were present in all
neurons, together with
various other . ***alpha*** . ***1*** -subunit
mRNAs. The most
frequently occurring combination was .alpha.1A with
.alpha.1B and
.alpha.1E. Taken together, these results demonstrate
that the Ca²⁺
channel pattern found in facial motoneurons is highly
distinct from that
found in other brainstem motoneurons.
REFERENCE COUNT: 48
REFERENCE(S): (1) Bargas, J; J Neurosci
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(2) Catterall, W; Annu Rev Biochem
1995, V64, P493
CAPLUS

(3) Chin, H; Genomics 1992, V14,
P1089 CAPLUS
(4) Dunlap, K; Trends Neurosci 1995,
V18, P89 CAPLUS
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P762 CAPLUS
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L6 ANSWER 59 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 17
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999003395 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99003395
TITLE: Low-voltage-activated Ca²⁺ currents
are generated by
members of the CavT subunit family
(alpha1G/H) in rat
primary sensory neurons.
AUTHOR: Lambert R C; McKenna F; Maulet
Y; Talley E M; Bayliss D A;
Cribbs L L; Lee J H; Perez-Reyes E; Feltz
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de
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SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE,
(1998 Nov 1) 18 (21) 8605-13.
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PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199902
ENTRY WEEK: 19990204
AB We have studied Ca²⁺ homeostasis in a unique
model of human neurons, the
NT2N cell, which differentiates from a human
teratocarcinoma cell line,
NT2A/C1.D1 by retinoic acid treatment. When
perfused with Krebs-HEPES
buffer containing 2.5 mM CaCl₂, fura-2 loaded
NT2N cells produced
spontaneous cytosolic Ca²⁺ oscillations, or Ca²⁺
transients. These
cytosolic Ca²⁺ transients were not blocked by
antagonists of glutamate
(6-cyano-7-nitroquinoxaline-2,3-dione and
D(-)-2-amino-5-
phosphonopentanoic acid) or muscarinic (atropine)
receptors. Omission of
extracellular Ca²⁺ completely abolished Ca²⁺
oscillations and decreased
the average Ca²⁺ level from 106 +/- 14 nM to 59 +/-
8 nM. Addition of the
L-type Ca²⁺ channel blocker nifedipine (1 or 10
microM) or of the N-type
inhibitor omega-conotoxin GVIA (5 microM)
significantly, although
incompletely, suppressed Ca²⁺ oscillations, while
omega-conotoxin MVIIIC (5
microM), a selective antagonist of P- and
Q-channels, had no effect. Ni²⁺,
at 100 microM, a concentration selective for
T - ***type***
channels, did not inhibit Ca²⁺ transients.
Non-specific blockage of Ca²⁺
channels by higher concentrations of Ni²⁺ (2-5 mM)
or Co²⁺ (1 mM)
abolished Ca²⁺ oscillations completely. The
endoplasmic reticulum
Ca²⁺-ATPase inhibitor, thapsigargin (1 microM),
slightly decreased Ca²⁺
oscillation frequency, and induced a small transitory
increase in the
average cytosolic Ca²⁺ concentration. The mRNAs
of L- (alpha1D subunit)
and N-type (alpha1B subunit) Ca²⁺ channel were
present in NT2N cells,
while that of a ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺
channel (***alpha1***
-subunit) was not present in the NT2N cells as
shown by reverse
transcription-polymerase chain reaction. In
conclusion, NT2N neuronal
cells generate cytosolic Ca²⁺ oscillations mainly by
influx of
extracellular Ca²⁺ through multiple channels, which
include L- and N-type
channels, and do not require activation of glutamate
or muscarinic
receptors.

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DUPLICATE 19
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999055409 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98420198
TITLE: Mechanisms of spontaneous cytosolic
Ca²⁺ transients in
differentiated human neuronal cells.
AUTHOR: Gao Z Y; Chen M; Collins H W;
Matschinsky F M; Lee V M;
Wolf B A
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pathology
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of Pennsylvania School of Medicine,
Philadelphia 19104,
USA.
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SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF
NEUROSCIENCE, (1998 Jul) 10 (7)
2416-25.
Journal code: BYG. ISSN: 0953-816X.
PUB. COUNTRY: France
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199812
ENTRY WEEK: 19981204
AB We have studied Ca²⁺ homeostasis in a unique
model of human neurons, the
NT2N cell, which differentiates from a human
teratocarcinoma cell line,
NT2A/C1.D1 by retinoic acid treatment. When
perfused with Krebs-HEPES
buffer containing 2.5 mM CaCl₂, fura-2 loaded
NT2N cells produced
spontaneous cytosolic Ca²⁺ oscillations, or Ca²⁺
transients. These
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influx of
extracellular Ca²⁺ through multiple channels, which
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channels, and do not require activation of glutamate
or muscarinic
receptors.

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DUPLICATE 19
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999055409 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99055409
 TITLE: Voltage dependent ***calcium***
 channels in mammalian spermatozoa.
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 SOURCE: FRONTIERS IN BIOSCIENCE, (1998 Dec 1) 3 D1220-40. Ref: 254
 Journal code: CUE. ISSN: 1093-4715.
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 (REVIEW, ACADEMIC)
 LANGUAGE: English
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
 ENTRY MONTH: 199903
 ENTRY WEEK: 19990301
 AB Calcium influx is an absolute requirement for the physiological acrosome reaction in sperm from all sources examined, both invertebrate and mammalian. Pharmacological studies suggest that the major channel in the sperm head plasma membrane responsible for modulating calcium entry and intracellular ionized calcium levels could be either an L-type (a class of high voltage-activated) or a ***T*** - ***type*** (low voltage-activated) voltage-dependent ***calcium*** ***channel***. Patch clamp analysis of calcium currents in immature spermatogenic cells demonstrates the presence of ***T*** - ***type*** currents. Therefore, an argument has been put forth that the acrosome reaction of ejaculated sperm is regulated by a ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channel***. However, indirect analysis of calcium currents in mature sperm after transfer of ion channels to planar lipid bilayers detects three current types, including that similar, but not identical, to an L-type channel, but no ***T*** - ***type*** currents. Molecular cloning of the ***alpha*** - ***I*** pore forming subunit of ***calcium*** ***channels*** expressed in the male reproductive tract and in ejaculated sperm has resolved this controversy, demonstrating the existence of only high voltage-activated channels. Further analysis of the ***alpha*** - ***I*** subunit isoform from rat and human testis and sperm suggests that, as a result of alternate splicing, this L-type ***alpha*** - ***I*** subunit could produce calcium currents that were T-like, e.g., transient, rapidly inactivating with slow deactivation. Multiple splice variants of this isoform were detected in human testis, suggesting a correlation with intra-individual variation in the ability of sperm to undergo an induced acrosome reaction and with male infertility. These variants could be developed as useful biomarkers for susceptibility to environmental and occupational toxicants. Knowledge of ***calcium*** ***channels*** structure will also contribute to design of new male contraceptives based on existing ***calcium*** ***channel*** antagonists.

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 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 129:63232
 TITLE: Endogenous pacemaker activity of rat tumor somatotrophs
 AUTHOR(S): Kwiecien, Renata; Robert, Christophe; Cannon, Robert; Vigues, Stephan; Arnoux, Annie; Kordon, Claude; Hammond, Constance
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Unite de Dynamique des Systemes Neuroendocriniens, INSERM U159, Paris, 75014, Fr.
 SOURCE: J. Physiol. (Cambridge, U. K.) (1998), 508(3), 883-905
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 LANGUAGE: English
 AB Cells derived from a rat pituitary tumor (GC cell line) that continuously release growth hormone behave as endogenous pacemakers. In simultaneous patch clamp recordings and cytosolic Ca²⁺ concn. ([Ca²⁺]_i) imaging, they displayed rhythmic action potentials (44.7 mV, 178 ms, 0.30 Hz) and concomitant [Ca²⁺]_i transients (374 nM, 1.0 s, 0.27 Hz). Action potentials and [Ca²⁺]_i transients were reversibly blocked by removal of external Ca²⁺, addn. of nifedipine (1 .mu.M) or Ni²⁺ (40 .mu.M), but were insensitive to TTX (1 .mu.M). An L-type Ca²⁺ current activated at -33.6 mV (holding potential (V_h), -40 mV), peaked at -1.8 mV, was reduced by nifedipine and enhanced by S-(+)-SDZ 202791. A T/R-type Ca²⁺ current activated at -41.7 mV (V_h, -80 or -60 mV), peaked at -9.2 mV, was reduced by low concns. of Ni²⁺ (40 .mu.M) or Cd²⁺ (10 .mu.M) and was toxin-resistant. Parallel expts. revealed the expression of the class E ***calcium*** ***channel*** . ***alpha*** - ***I*** -subunit mRNA. The K⁺ channel blockers TEA (25 mM) and charybdotoxin (10-100 nM) enhanced spike amplitude and/or duration. Apamin (100 nM) also strongly reduced the after-spike hyperpolarization. The outward K⁺ tail current evoked by a depolarizing step that mimicked an action potential reversed at -69.8 mV, presented two components, lasted 2-3 s and was totally blocked by Cd²⁺ (400 .mu.M). The slow pacemaker depolarization (3.5 s) that sepd. consecutive spikes corresponded to a 2-3-fold increase in membrane resistance, was strongly Na⁺-sensitive, but TTX-insensitive. Computer simulations showed that pacemaker activity can be reproduced by a min. of six currents: an L-type Ca²⁺ current underlies the rising phase of action potentials that are repolarized by a delayed rectifier and Ca²⁺-activated K⁺ currents. In between spikes, the decay of Ca²⁺-activated K⁺ currents and a persistent inward cationic current depolarize the membrane, activate the T/R-type Ca²⁺ current and initiate a new cycle.

L6 ANSWER 63 OF 104 MEDLINE
 DUPLICATE 20
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998370780 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98370780
 TITLE: Antisense depletion of beta-subunits fails to affect ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** properties in a neuroblastoma cell line.
 AUTHOR: Leuranguer V; Bourinat E; Lory P; Nargeot J
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Génétique

Humaine (UPR 1142), Montpellier, France.
 SOURCE: NEUROPHARMACOLOGY, (1998 Jun) 37 (6) 701-8.
 Journal code: NZB. ISSN: 0028-3908.
 PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
 Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LANGUAGE: English
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
 ENTRY MONTH: 199901
 ENTRY WEEK: 19990104
 AB Voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels*** can be classified into high voltage activated (HVA) and low voltage activated (LVA or ***T*** - ***type***) subtypes. The molecular diversity of HVA channels primarily results from different genes encoding their pore-forming ***alpha1*** subunits. These channels share a common structure with an ***alpha1*** subunit associated with at least two regulatory subunits (beta, alpha2-delta). Any of the six ***alpha1*** -related channels identified to date are regulated in their functional properties through an interaction with the ancillary beta-subunit. By contrast, the diversity and the molecular identity of LVA or ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** have yet to be defined. Whether LVA channels are modulated by a beta-subunit, like HVA channels, is unknown. To address this issue, we have used an antisense strategy to inhibit beta-subunit expression in the NG 108-15 neuroblastoma cell line. Differentiated NG 108-15 cells express both LVA and HVA channels. We found that LVA currents were unaffected when cells were incubated with beta-antisense, while HVA currents were drastically decreased. Since LVA Ca channel currents in NG 108-15 cells are not regulated by beta-subunits, it is reasonable to postulate that the pore-forming subunit(s) of these channels lacks an interaction domain with a beta-subunit (AID). This molecular feature, which is common to various ***T*** - ***type*** channels, indicates further that LVA ***calcium*** ***channels*** belong to a channel family structurally distant from HVA channels.

L6 ANSWER 64 OF 104 MEDLINE
 DUPLICATE 21
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998355943 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98355943
 TITLE: Electrophysiological properties of neonatal rat ventricular myocytes with ***alpha1*** -adrenergic-induced hypertrophy.
 AUTHOR: Gaughan J P; Hefner C A; Houser S R
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19140, USA.
 SOURCE: AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY, (1998 Aug) 275 (2 Pt 2) H577-90.
 Journal code: AJP. ISSN: 0002-9513.
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States
 Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LANGUAGE: English
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
 ENTRY MONTH: 199811
 AB The electrophysiology of neonatal rat ventricular myocytes with and without hypertrophy has not been characterized. The ***alpha1*** -adrenergic agonist phenylephrine induced hypertrophy in neonatal rat ventricular myocytes. After 48 h of exposure to 20

microM phenylephrine,
cell surface area of hypertrophied myocytes was 44%
larger than control.
Action potential duration was significantly longer in
hypertrophy than in
control. There was an increase in L-type Ca²⁺
current in control after 48 h in culture, but current density was significantly less
in hypertrophy

(4.7 +/- 0.8 hypertrophy vs. -10.7 +/- 1.2 control
pA/PF, n = 22, P < 0.05). ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ current
density was not different.

The alpha-adrenergic antagonist prazosin blocked the
hypertrophy and the
chronic effect of phenylephrine on L-type Ca²⁺
current. Transient outward K⁺ current density was decreased 70% in
hypertrophy and was blocked with
4-aminopyridine. No change in Na⁺ current density
was observed.

Staurosporine, a protein kinase C inhibitor,
eliminated the hypertrophy
and the effect on L-type Ca²⁺ current. These studies
showed that
phenylephrine-induced hypertrophy occurred via the
alpha -adrenergic pathway and caused electrophysiological
changes and effects on
ion channel expression.

L6 ANSWER 65 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT
2001 BIOSIS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:8432 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV19990008432
TITLE: Low-voltage-activated (***T*** - ***type***)
calcium - ***channel*** genes
identified.

AUTHOR(S): Huguenard, John R. (1)
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dep. Neurol. Neurol.
Sci., Stanford Univ. Sch. Med.,
Stanford, CA 94305-5122 USA
SOURCE: Trends in Neurosciences, (Nov., 1998) Vol. 21, No. 11, pp.
451-452.
ISSN: 0166-2236.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
LANGUAGE: English

L6 ANSWER 66 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 22
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998384559 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98384559
TITLE: The effect of overexpression of
auxiliary Ca²⁺ channel
subunits on native Ca²⁺ channel currents in
undifferentiated mammalian NG108-15
cells.

AUTHOR: Wyatt C N; Page K M; Berrow N S;
Brice N L; Dolphin A C
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of
Pharmacology, University College London, UK.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY,

(1998 Jul 15) 510 (Pt 2) 347-60.

Journal code: JPV. ISSN: 0022-3751.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199901

ENTRY WEEK: 19990104

AB 1. High voltage activated (HVA) Ca²⁺ channels
are composed of a
pore-forming ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit
and the accessory beta

and alpha2-delta subunits. However, the subunit
composition of low voltage
activated (LVA), or ***T*** - ***type*** ,

Ca²⁺ channels has yet to
be elucidated. We have examined whether native
calcium

channels in NG108-15 mouse
neuroblastoma x rat glioma hybrid

cells, which express predominantly LVA currents
when undifferentiated, are
modulated by overexpression of accessory
calcium ***channel***

subunits. 2. Endogenous alpha 1A, B, C, C, and E,

and low levels of beta
and alpha 2-delta subunit protein were demonstrated
in undifferentiated
NG108-15 cells. 3. The alpha 2-delta, beta 2a or beta
1b accessory
subunits were overexpressed by transfection of the
cDNAs into these cells,
and the effect examined on the endogenous Ca²⁺
channel currents.
Heterologous expression, particularly of alpha
2-delta but also of beta 2a
subunits clearly affected the profile of these currents.
Both subunits
induced a sustained component in the currents
evoked by depolarizing
voltages above -30 mV, and alpha 2-delta
additionally caused a
depolarization in the voltage dependence of current
activation, suggesting
that it also affected the native ***T*** -
type currents. In
contrast, beta 1b overexpression had no effect on the
endogenous Ca²⁺
currents, despite immunocytochemical evidence for
its expression in the
transfected cells. 4. These results suggest that in
NG108-15 cells,
overexpression of the Ca²⁺ channel accessory
subunits alpha 2-delta and
beta 2a induce a sustained component of HVA
current, and alpha 2-delta
also influences the voltage dependence of activation
of the LVA current.
It is possible that native ***T*** - ***type***
alpha
1 subunits are not associated with beta
subunits.

L6 ANSWER 67 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 23
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998150958 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98150958
TITLE: Known ***calcium***
channel ***alpha1***
subunits can form low threshold small
conductance channels
with similarities to native ***T*** -
type
channels.

AUTHOR: Meir A; Dolphin A C
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of
Pharmacology, University College London,
United Kingdom.
SOURCE: NEURON, (1998 Feb) 20 (2)
341-51.

Journal code: AN8. ISSN: 0896-6273.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199805

ENTRY WEEK: 19980503

AB Native ***T*** - ***type***
voltage-dependent ***calcium***

channels are low voltage-activated and
have a small single channel
conductance of 5-8 pS, which distinguishes them
from any known cloned

calcium ***channels*** whose
conductances are 12-25 pS. Here,
we show that when alpha1B, alpha1E, or alpha1C
are expressed in COS7

cells, which contain no endogenous ***calcium***

channel
subunits or ***calcium*** ***channels*** ,
they each exhibit a 4-7

pS channel as well as a large conductance channel.
At low depolarizations,

or when the ***alpha1*** subunit is expressed in
the absence of
auxiliary alpha2-delta or beta subunits, the small
conductance channels

are seen alone, and their biophysical properties,
including voltage

dependence and kinetics of activation and
inactivation, are very similar
to native ***T*** - ***type***

calcium ***channels*** .

L6 ANSWER 68 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT
2001 BIOSIS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:479530 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800479530

TITLE: Molecular characterization of a novel
family of low

voltage-activated, ***T*** -
type ,
calcium ***channels*** .

AUTHOR(S): Perez-Reyes, Edward (1)

CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dep. Physiol.,
Cardiovasc. Inst., Loyola Univ. Med.
Cent., Maywood, IL 60153 USA

SOURCE: Journal of Bioenergetics and
Biomembranes, (Aug., 1998)

Vol. 30, No. 4, pp. 313-318.

ISSN: 0145-479X.

DOCUMENT TYPE: General Review

LANGUAGE: English

AB Low voltage-activated, ***T*** - ***type***
, ***calcium***

channels are thought to be involved in
pacemaker activity, low

threshold Ca²⁺ spikes, neuronal oscillations and
resonance, and rebound

burst firing. Mutations in ***T*** - ***type***
channel genes may be

a contributing factor to neurological and
cardiovascular disorders, such
as epilepsy, arrhythmia, and hypertension. Due to the
lack of selective

blockers, little is known about their structure or
molecular biology. This

review discusses our recent findings on the cloning,
chromosomal

localization, and functional expression, of two novel
channels, alpha1G
and alpha1H. The biophysical properties of these
cloned channels

(distinctive voltage dependence, kinetics, and single
channel conductance)

demonstrates that these channels are members of the

T -

type Ca²⁺ channel family.

L6 ANSWER 69 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 24

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999191101 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99191101

TITLE: Structure and function of neuronal
Ca²⁺ channels and their
role in neurotransmitter release.

AUTHOR: Catterall W A

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of
Pharmacology, University of Washington,
Seattle 98195-7280, USA.

SOURCE: CELL CALCIUM, (1998 Nov-Dec)
24 (5-6) 307-23. Ref: 151

Journal code: CQE. ISSN: 0143-4160.

PUB. COUNTRY: SCOTLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

General Review; (REVIEW)

(REVIEW, ACADEMIC)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199908

ENTRY WEEK: 19990801

AB Electrophysiological studies of neurons reveal
different Ca²⁺ currents
designated L-, N-, P-, Q-, R-, and ***T*** -

type .
High-voltage-activated neuronal Ca²⁺ channels are
complexes of a

pore-forming ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit of
about 190-250 kDa, a

transmembrane, disulfide-linked complex of alpha 2
and delta subunits, and

an intracellular beta subunit, similar to the
alpha ***1*** ,

alpha 2 delta, and beta subunits previously described
for skeletal muscle

Ca²⁺ channels. The primary structures of these
subunits have all been

determined by homology cDNA cloning using the
corresponding subunits of
skeletal muscle Ca²⁺ channels as probes. In most
neurons, L-type channels

contain alpha 1C or alpha 1D subunits, N-type
contain alpha 1B subunits,

P- and Q-types contain alternatively spliced forms of alpha 1A subunits.
R-type contain alpha 1E subunits, and ***T*** - ***type*** contain alpha 1G or alpha 1H subunits. Association with different beta subunits also influences Ca²⁺ channel gating substantially, yielding a remarkable diversity of functionally distinct molecular species of Ca²⁺ channels in neurons.

L6 ANSWER 70 OF 104 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:359279 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 129:120585

TITLE: Does .alpha.1E code for ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels*** ? A comparison of recombinant .alpha.1E ***calcium*** ***channels*** with GH3 pituitary ***T*** - ***type*** and recombinant .alpha.1B ***calcium*** ***channels***

AUTHOR(S): Rock, David M.; Horne, William A.; Stoehr, Sally J.; Hashimoto, Chica; Zhou, Mei; Cong, Ruth; Palma, Andrew; Hidayetoglu, Debra; Offord, James

CORPORATE SOURCE: Neuroscience Therapeutics, Parke-Davis Pharmaceutical Research Division, Warner-Lambert Company, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

SOURCE: Low-Voltage-Act. T-type Calcium Channels, Proc. Int. Electrophysiol. Meet. (1998), Meeting Date 1996,

279-289. Editor(s): Tsien, Richard W.; Clozel, Jean-Paul; Nargeot, Joel. Adis International Ltd.

Chester, UK.
CODEN: 66EIAQ

DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference

LANGUAGE: English

AB Expression of .alpha.1E (E class) subunits in Xenopus oocytes or in mammalian cell lines produces ***calcium*** ***channels***

that show rapid inactivation. It was originally proposed that .alpha.1E was the . ***alpha*** . ***]*** subunit for low-voltage-activated (LVA) ***calcium*** ***channels***. Under identical recording conditions, the authors compared biophys. and pharmacol.

properties of .alpha.1E expressed in HEK293 cells with .alpha.1B (B class) expressed in the same

cell line and LVA ***calcium*** ***channel*** currents in a rat

pituitary cell line (GH3). .alpha.1E ***Calcium*** ***channels***

showed biophys. properties that were similar to those of .alpha.1B channels, activation voltages that were depolarized relative to GH3

T - ***type*** current and potent block by Ca²⁺ and the non-selective ***calcium*** ***channel*** toxin .omega.-Aga-III A.

These features of .alpha.1E ***calcium*** ***channels*** are

similar to those of R-type ***calcium*** ***channels*** described

in cerebellar granule neurons, and not to GH3

T - ***type***

or other LVA ***calcium*** ***channels***.

L6 ANSWER 71 OF 104 SCISEARCH

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:781737

SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 125MZ

TITLE: New isoform of the neuronal Ca²⁺

channel alpha 1E subunit in islets of Langerhans and kidney - Distribution of voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channel ***alpha*** ***]*** subunits in cell lines and tissues

AUTHOR: Vajna R; Schramm M; Pereverzev A; Arnhold S; Grabsch H; Klockner U; PerezReyes E; Hescheler J; Schneider T
(Reprint)

CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV COLOGNE, INST NEUROPHYSIOL, ROBERT KOCH STR 39, D-50931 COLOGNE, GERMANY
(Reprint); UNIV COLOGNE, INST NEUROPHYSIOL, D-50931 COLOGNE, GERMANY; UNIV COLOGNE, INST ANAT 1, D-5000 COLOGNE, GERMANY; KLINIKUM LEVERKUSEN, INST PATHOL, LEVERKUSEN, GERMANY; UNIV COLOGNE, INST VET PHYSIOL, COLOGNE, GERMANY; LOYOLA UNIV, MED CTR, CARDIOVASC INST, CHICAGO, IL; LOYOLA UNIV, MED CTR, DEPT PHYSIOL, CHICAGO, IL

COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: GERMANY; USA
SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF BIOCHEMISTRY, (OCT 1998) Vol. 257, No. 1, pp. 274-285.

Publisher: SPRINGER VERLAG, 175 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY

10010.

ISSN: 0014-2956.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal

FILE SEGMENT: LIFE

LANGUAGE: English

REFERENCE COUNT: 57

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB The expression of Ca²⁺ channel alpha 1E isoforms has been analyzed in different cell lines, embryoid bodies and tissues. The comparison of the

different cloned alpha 1E cDNA sequences led to the prediction of alpha 1E splice variants. Transcripts of two cloned alpha 1E isoforms, which are

discriminated by a carboxy terminal 129-bp sequence, have been detected in different cell lines and tissues. Transcripts of the shorter alpha 1E

isoform have been assigned to the rat cerebrum and to neuron-like cells from *in vitro* differentiated embryonic stem cells.

The shorter isoform is the major transcript amplified from total RNA by reverse transcription (RT)-PCR and visualized on the protein level by Western blotting with common and isoform-specific antibodies. Transcripts of the longer alpha 1E

isoform have been identified in mouse, rat and

human cerebellum, in *in vitro* differentiated embryoid bodies, in the insulinoma cell lines INS-1

(rat) and beta TC-3 (mouse), in the pituitary cell line AtT-20 (mouse)

when grown in 5 mM glucose, and in islets of

Langerhans (rat) and kidney (rat and human). The detection of different isoforms of alpha 1E in cell

lines and tissues shows that the wide expression of alpha 1E has to be

specified by identifying the corresponding isoforms in each tissue. In

islets of Langerhans and in kidney, a distinct isoform called alpha 1Ee

has been determined by RT-PCR, while in cerebellum a set of different

alpha 1E structures has been detected, which might reflect the functional

heterogeneity of cerebellar neurons. The tissue-specific expression of

different isoforms might be related to specific functions, which are not

yet known, but the expression of the new isoform alpha 1Ee in islets of

Langerhans and kidney leads to the suggestion that

alpha 1E might be involved in the modulation of the Ca²⁺-mediated hormone secretion.

L6 ANSWER 72 OF 104 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:359266 CAPLUS DOCUMENT NUMBER: 129:133906

TITLE: Localization and function of brain ***calcium*** ***channels***

AUTHOR(S): Catterall, William A.; Westenbroek, Ruth E.; Herlitz, Stefan; Yokoyama, Charles T.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pharmacology, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, USA

SOURCE: Low-Voltage-Act. T-type Calcium Channels, Proc. Int. Electrophysiol. Meet. (1998), Meeting Date 1996,

207-217. Editor(s): Tsien, Richard W.; Clozel, Jean-Paul; Nargeot, Joel. Adis International Ltd.: Chester, UK.

CODEN: 66EIAQ

DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference; General Review

LANGUAGE: English

AB A review with 43 refs. Ca²⁺ channels in the brain are complexes

consisting of an . ***alpha*** . ***]*** subunit (190-250 kDa), .alpha.2.delta. subunits (disulfide-linked dimers of 140 and 27 kDa), and

.alpha.1. beta. subunit (55-72 kDa). The different physiol. and pharmacol.

properties of the various Ca²⁺ channel subtypes (L, N, P, Q, R, and

T ***types***) are thought to be detd. by their . ***alpha*** ***]*** subunits. Five distinct . ***alpha*** ***]***

subunits, designated .alpha.1A to .alpha.1E are expressed in brain. Here, research from the authors' lab. focusing on the

biochem. properties, subcellular localization, and functional specialization of these related neuronal . ***alpha*** . ***]*** subunits are discussed.

L6 ANSWER 73 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 25

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998171311 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98171311

TITLE: Calcium currents and transients of native and heterologously expressed mutant skeletal

muscle DHP receptor ***alpha1*** subunits (R528H).

AUTHOR: Jurkat-Rott K; Uetz U;

Pika-Hartlaub U; Powell J; Fontaine B; Melzer W; Lehmann-Horn F

CORPORATE SOURCE: Abteilung fur Angewandte Physiologie, Universitat Ulm, Germany.

SOURCE: FEBS LETTERS, (1998 Feb 20)

423 (2) 198-204.

Journal code: EUH. ISSN: 0014-5793.

PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands

Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199806

AB Rabbit cDNA of the ***alpha1*** subunit of the skeletal muscle

dihydropyridine (DHP) receptor was functionally expressed in a muscular

dysgenesis mouse (mdg) cell line, GLT. L-type calcium currents and

transients were recorded for the wild type and a mutant . ***alpha1***

subunit carrying an R528H substitution in the supposed voltage sensor of

the second channel domain that is linked to a human

disease, hypokalemic periodic paralysis. L-type channels expressed in GLT myotubes exhibited currents similar to those described for primary cultured mdg cells injected with rabbit wild type cDNA, indicating this system to be useful for functional studies of heterologous DHP receptors. Voltage dependence and kinetics of activation and inactivation of L-type calcium currents from mutant and wild type channels did not differ significantly. Intracellular calcium release activation measured by fura-2 microfluorimetry was not grossly altered by the mutation either. Analogous measurements on myotubes of three human R528H carriers revealed calcium transients comparable to controls while the voltage dependence of both activation and inactivation of the L-type current showed a shift to more negative potentials of approximately 6 mV. Similar effects on the voltage dependence of the fast current and changes in the expression level of the third-type calcium current point to factors not primarily associated with the mutation perhaps participating in disease pathogenesis.

L6 ANSWER 74 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 26
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998333998 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98333998
TITLE: Cloning and characterization of alpha1H from human heart, a member of the ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channel gene family.
AUTHOR: Cribbs L L; Lee J H; Yang J; Satin J; Zhang Y; Daud A; Barclay J; Williamson M P; Fox M; Rees M; Perez-Reyes E
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SOURCE: CIRCULATION RESEARCH, (1998 Jul 13) 83 (1) 103-9.
Journal code: DAJ. ISSN: 0009-7330.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
OTHER SOURCE: GENBANK-AF051946; GENBANK-AF051947
ENTRY MONTH: 199810
AB Voltage-activated Ca2+ channels exist as multigene families that share common structural features. Different Ca2+ channels are distinguished by their electrophysiology and pharmacology and can be classified as either low or high voltage-activated channels. Six ***alpha1*** subunit genes cloned previously code for high voltage-activated Ca2+ channels; therefore, we have used a database search strategy to identify new Ca2+ channel genes, possibly including low voltage-activated (***T*** - ***type***) channels. A novel expressed sequence-tagged cDNA clone of alpha1G was used to screen a cDNA library, and in the present study, we report the cloning of alpha1H (or CavT.2), a low voltage-activated Ca2+ channel from human heart. Northern blots of human mRNA detected more alpha1H expression in peripheral tissues, such as kidney and heart, than in brain. We mapped the gene, CACNA1H, to human chromosome 16p13.3 and mouse chromosome 17. Expression of alpha1H in HEK-293 cells resulted in

Ca2+ channel currents displaying voltage dependence, kinetics, and unitary conductance characteristic of native ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channels. The alpha1H channel is sensitive to mibepradil, a nondihydropyridine Ca2+ channel blocker, with an IC50 of 1.4 micromol/L, consistent with the reported potency of mibepradil for ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channels. Together with alpha1G, a rat brain ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channel also cloned in our laboratory, these genes define a unique family of Ca2+ channels.

L6 ANSWER 75 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:293627 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800293627
TITLE: Single channel mechanism of mibepradil action on alpha1E-and ***T*** - ***type*** ***calcium*** ***channels***
AUTHOR(S): Handrock, R. (1); Schroeder, F. (1); Demirel-Yilmaz, E.; Kreuzberg, U. (1); Pereverzev, A.; Schneider, T.; Herzog, S. (1)
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dep. Pharmacol., Gleueler Str. 24, 50931 Cologne, Germany
SOURCE: Naunyn-Schmiedeberg's Archives of Pharmacology, (1998) Vol. 357, No. 4 SUPPL, pp. R70.
Meeting Info: 39th Spring Meeting of the German Society for Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology Mainz, Germany March 17-19, 1998
German Society for Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology
ISSN: 0028-1298.
DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference
LANGUAGE: English

L6 ANSWER 76 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 27
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998231527 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98231527
TITLE: Voltage dependent ***calcium*** ***channels*** in adrenal glomerulosa cells and in insulin producing cells.
AUTHOR: Horvath A; Szabadkai G; Varnai P; Aranyi T; Wollheim C B; Spat A; Enyedi P
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology and Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Physiology, Semmelweis University of Medicine, Budapest, Hungary.
SOURCE: CELL CALCIUM, (1998 Jan) 23 (1) 33-42.
Journal code: CQE. ISSN: 0143-4160.
PUB. COUNTRY: SCOTLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199808
AB We have examined the structure and function of Ca2+ channels in excitable endocrine cell types, in rat adrenal glomerulosa cells and in two insulin producing cell types, the rat pancreatic beta cell and the INS-1 cell line. In previous studies on glomerulosa cells, we observed low (***T*** - ***type***) and high threshold (L-type) voltage dependent Ca2+ currents in addition to a K+ induced inward rectifying Ca2+ current (Ig). beta cells are known to exhibit T-, L- and N-type currents. We have now found that INS-1 cells also show low threshold (***T*** - ***type***) and high threshold Ca2+ currents. The latter was

further resolved by organic inhibitors into L-type and P/Q-type currents and no Ig was detected. The expression of the pore-forming ***alpha*** ***I*** subunit of voltage dependent Ca2+ channels was studied by means of reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR), followed by restriction enzyme mapping and/or sequencing. Both in glomerulosa and pancreatic beta cells, the neuroendocrine (D) class of the ***alpha*** ***I*** subunit, known to be responsible for L-type current, represents the majority of the PCR product. Comparable amounts of the neuroendocrine (D) and the neuronal A-type ***alpha*** ***I*** subunits dominate the message in INS-1 cells. Different characteristics of Ca2+ currents in these cell types is discussed in view of the channel repertoire.

L6 ANSWER 77 OF 104 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2001 BIOSIS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:53497 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900053497
TITLE: The safety of ***calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers.
AUTHOR(S): Massie, Barry M. (1)
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Univ. Calif. San Francisco, Cardiol. Div., VA Hosp., 4150 Clement Street, San Francisco, CA 94121 USA
SOURCE: Clinical Cardiology, (Dec., 1998) Vol. 21, No. 12 SUPPL. 2, pp. II12-II17.
ISSN: 0160-9289.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
LANGUAGE: English
AB ***Calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers are widely used as an effective treatment for hypertension and angina. Several studies have raised questions about their safety, suggesting that ***calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers can increase the rates of myocardial infarction (MI) and death, particularly in patients with heart disease. Reviews of these studies have uncovered serious methodological shortcomings or have found them restricted to short-acting drugs, frequently at high doses or used inappropriately. One study was based on old data regarding only short-acting nifedipine, which has never been indicated for patients who have suffered an MI or unstable angina. A case-control study of short-acting verapamil, diltiazem, and nifedipine suggested an increased

MI rate was confounded by the higher rates of diabetes and preexisting heart disease in the patients treated with ***calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers. A third study reported significantly decreased survival only in patients taking short-acting nifedipine; in most of the cases reported, blood pressure was not controlled. While these studies alert us to the limitations of short-acting ***calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers and the necessity of considering side effects such as neurohormonal stimulation, a number of more recent, better-controlled studies have not confirmed increased risk with ***calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers when appropriately employed. ***Calcium*** - ***channel*** blockers should still be considered first-line therapy in appropriately selected patients with hypertension or angina.

L6 ANSWER 78 OF 104 SCISEARCH
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:49547 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: YN574
 TITLE: Antisense oligonucleotides against rat brain alpha(1E) DNA and its atrial homologue decrease calcium current in atrial myocytes
 AUTHOR: PiedrasRenteria E S; Chen C C; Best P M (Reprint)
 CORPORATE SOURCE: 524 BURRILL HALL, MC-114, 407 S GOODWIN AVE, URBANA, IL 61801 (Reprint); UNIV ILLINOIS, DEPT MOL & INTEGRAT PHYSIOL, URBANA, IL 61801; UNIV ILLINOIS, COLL MED, URBANA, IL 61801
 COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA
 SOURCE: PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (23 DEC 1997) Vol. 94, No. 26, pp. 14936-14941.
 Publisher: NATL ACAD SCIENCES, 2101 CONSTITUTION AVE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20418.
 ISSN: 0027-8424.
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
 LANGUAGE: English
 REFERENCE COUNT: 38
 ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
 AB Low voltage-activated, or ***T*** - ***type***, calcium currents are important regulators of neuronal and muscle excitability, secretion, and possibly cell growth and differentiation, The gene (or genes) coding for the pore-forming subunit of low voltage-activated channel proteins has not been unequivocally identified. We have used reverse transcription-PCR to identify partial clones from rat atrial myocytes that share high homology with a member of the E class of ***calcium*** ***channel*** genes. Antisense oligonucleotides targeting one of these partial clones (raE1) specifically block the increase in T-current density that normally results when atrial myocytes are treated with insulin-like growth factor I (IGF-1). Antisense oligonucleotides targeting portions of the neuronal rat alpha(1E) sequence, which are not part of the clones detected in atrial tissue, also block the IGF-1-induced increase in T-current, suggesting that the high homology to alpha(1E) seen in the partial clone may be present in the complete atrial sequence. The basal T-current expressed in these cells is also blocked by antisense oligonucleotides, which is consistent with the notion that IGF-1 up-regulates the same gene that encodes the basal current. These results support the hypothesis that a member of the E class of ***calcium*** ***channel*** genes encodes a low voltage-activated ***calcium*** ***channel*** in atrial myocytes.

L6 ANSWER 79 OF 104 MEDLINE
 DUPLICATE 28
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 97402507 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97402507
 TITLE: ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ current properties are not modified by Ca2+ channel beta subunit depletion in nodosus ganglion neurons.
 AUTHOR: Lambert R C; Maulet Y; Mouton J; Beattie R; Volsen S; De Waard M; Feltz A
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de

Neurobiologie Cellulaire, UPR 9009 Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, 67084 Strasbourg, France.
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE, (1997 Sep 1) 17 (17) 6621-8.
 Journal code: JDF. ISSN: 0270-6474.
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States
 Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LANGUAGE: English
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
 ENTRY MONTH: 199711
 ENTRY WEEK: 19971104
 AB At the molecular level, our knowledge of the low voltage-activated Ca2+ channel (***T*** - ***type***) has made little progress. Using an antisense strategy, we investigated the possibility that the ***T*** - ***type*** channels have a structure similar to high voltage-activated Ca2+ channels. It is assumed that high voltage-activated channels are made of at least three components: a pore forming ***alpha1*** subunit combined with a cytoplasmic modulatory beta subunit and a primarily extracellular alpha2delta subunit. We have examined the effect of transfecting cranial primary sensory neurons with generic anti-beta antisense oligonucleotides. We show that in this cell type, blocking expression of all known beta gene products does not affect ***T*** - ***type*** current, although it greatly decreases the current amplitude of high voltage-activated channels and modifies their voltage dependence. This suggests that beta subunits are likely not constitutive of ***T*** - ***type*** Ca2+ channels in this cell type.

L6 ANSWER 80 OF 104 MEDLINE
 DUPLICATE 29
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 97383272 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97383272
 TITLE: Differential localization of voltage-dependent ***calcium*** ***channel*** ***alpha1*** subunits at the human and rat neuromuscular junction.
 AUTHOR: Day N C; Wood S J; Ince P G; Volsen S G; Smith W; Slater C R; Shaw P J
 CORPORATE SOURCE: MRC Neurochemical Pathology Unit, Newcastle General Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 6BE, United Kingdom.
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE, (1997 Aug 15) 17 (16) 6226-35.
 Journal code: JDF. ISSN: 0270-6474.
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States
 Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LANGUAGE: English
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
 ENTRY MONTH: 199710
 ENTRY WEEK: 19971005
 AB Neurotransmitter release is regulated by voltage-dependent ***calcium*** ***channels*** (VDCCs) at synapses throughout the nervous system. At the neuromuscular junction (NMJ) electrophysiological and pharmacological studies have identified a major role for P- and/or Q-type VDCCs in controlling acetylcholine release from the nerve terminal. Additional studies have suggested that N-type channels may be involved in neuromuscular transmission. VDCCs consist of pore-forming ***alpha1*** regulatory beta subunits. In this report, using fluorescence immunocytochemistry, we provide evidence that immunoreactivity to alpha1A, alpha1B, and alpha1E subunits is present at both rat and human adult NMJs.

Using control and denervated rat preparations, we have been able to establish that the subunit thought to correspond to P/Q-type channels, alpha1A, is localized presynaptically in discrete puncta that may represent motor nerve terminals. We also demonstrate for the first time that alpha1A and alpha1B (which corresponds to N-type channels) may be localized in axon-associated Schwann cells and, further, that the alpha1B subunit may be present in perisynaptic Schwann cells. In addition, the alpha1E subunit (which may correspond to R/Q-type channels) seems to be localized postsynaptically in the muscle fiber membrane and concentrated at the NMJ. The possibility that all three VDCCs at the NMJ are potential targets for circulating autoantibodies in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis is discussed.

L6 ANSWER 81 OF 104 SCISEARCH
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:79084 SCISEARCH
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: YR308
 TITLE: Voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels in arterial smooth muscle cells
 AUTHOR: Gollasch M (Reprint); Nelson M T (Reprint); HUMBOLDT UNIV BERLIN, FRANZ VOLHARD CLIN, WILTBERGSTR 50, D-13125 BERLIN, GERMANY
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 SOURCE: KIDNEY & BLOOD PRESSURE RESEARCH, (DEC 1997) Vol. 20, No. 6, pp. 355-371.
 Publisher: KARGER, ALLSCHWILERSTRASSE 10, CH-4009 BASEL, SWITZERLAND.
 ISSN: 1420-4096.
 DOCUMENT TYPE: General Review; Journal
 FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
 LANGUAGE: English
 REFERENCE COUNT: 222
 ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
 AB The past years have seen some significant advances in our understanding of the functional and molecular properties of voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels in arterial smooth muscle. Molecular cloning and expression studies together with experiments on native voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels revealed that these channels are built upon a molecular structure with properties appropriate to function as the main source for Ca2+ entry into arterial smooth muscle cells. This Ca2+ entry regulates intracellular free Ca2+, and thereby arterial tone. We summarize several avenues of recent research that should provide significant insights into the functioning of voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels under conditions that occur in arterial smooth muscle. These experiments have identified important features of voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels, including the steep steady-state voltage-dependence of the channel open probability at steady physiological membrane potentials between -60 and -30 mV, and a relatively high permeation rate at physiological Ca2+ concentrations, being about one million Ca2+ ions/s at -50 mV. This calcium permeation rate seems to be a feature of the pore-forming Ca2+ channel ***alpha1*** (***1***) subunit, since it was identical for native channels and the expressed

alpha (***1***) subunit alone. The channel activity is regulated by dihydropyridines, vasoactive hormones and intracellular signaling pathways. While the membrane potential of smooth muscle cells primarily regulates arterial muscle tone through alterations in Ca²⁺ influx through dihydropyridine-sensitive voltage-dependent (L-type) Ca²⁺ channels, the role of these channels in the differentiation and proliferation of vascular smooth muscle cells is less clear. We discuss recent findings suggesting that other Ca²⁺ permeable ion channels might be important for the control of Ca²⁺ influx in dedifferentiated vascular smooth muscle cells.

L6 ANSWER 82 OF 104 SCISEARCH
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 97:586711 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: XN392
TITLE: Toxin-resistant calcium currents, in embryonic mouse sensory neurons
AUTHOR: Hilaire C; Diochot S; Desmadryl G (Reprint); Richard S; Valmier J
CORPORATE SOURCE: INST BIOL, CNRS, UPR 9008, LAB MED EXPTL, INSERM, U249, BLVD HENRI IV, F-34060 MONTPELLIER, FRANCE (Reprint); INST BIOL, CNRS, UPR 9008, LAB MED EXPTL, INSERM, U249, F-34060 MONTPELLIER, FRANCE; UNIV MONTPELLIER 2, INSERM, U432, F-34095 MONTPELLIER 5, FRANCE; CNRS, CRBM, UPR 9008, INSERM, U249, F-34033 MONTPELLIER, FRANCE
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: FRANCE
SOURCE: NEUROSCIENCE, (SEP 1997) Vol. 80, No. 1, pp. 267-276.
Publisher: PERGAMON-ELSEVIER SCIENCE LTD, THE BOULEVARD, LANGFORD LANE, KIDLINGTON, OXFORD, ENGLAND OX5 1GB.
ISSN: 0306-4522.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: English
REFERENCE COUNT: 50
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS
AB We characterized toxin-insensitive calcium currents expressed by acutely dissociated embryonic dorsal root ganglion neurons. In the presence of 3 μM omega-conotoxin-GVIA, 3 μM nitrendipine and either 500 nM omega-agatoxin-IVA or 500 nM omega-conotoxin-MVIIC to inhibit N-, L- and P/Q-type currents, respectively, all neurons expressed two residual currents: a ***T*** - ***type*** and another which we referred to as toxin-resistant current. The toxin-resistant current (i) consisted of an inactivating and a sustained components, (ii) had a threshold of activation and a steady-state inactivation comprised between that of the ***T*** - ***type*** current and that of the other high-voltage-activated currents, (iii) had the same permeability for barium and calcium used as charge carriers, (iv) was highly sensitive to both cadmium and nickel; and (v) was insensitive to 500 μM amiloride which abolished the ***T*** - ***type*** at this concentration. The properties of the toxin-resistant current are very similar to those of the currents expressed in oocytes following injection of alpha(1E) subunits which we demonstrated to be present in these

neurons. Therefore a component of the toxin-resistant current ***calcium*** ***channels*** in sensory neurons may be closely related to those ***calcium*** ***channels*** formed by alpha(1E) subunits. (C) 1997 IBRO. Published by Elsevier Science Ltd.

L6 ANSWER 83 OF 104 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:544278 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 129:258270
TITLE: ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels expressed during mouse spermatogenesis may mediate sperm

acrosome reaction
AUTHOR(S): Darszon, A.; Santi, C. M.; Serrano, C. J.; Trevino, C. L.; Hernandez-Cruz, A.; Lievano, A. CORPORATE SOURCE: Dep. Genetica Fisiol. Mol., inst. Biotecnologia, Univ. Nacional Autonoma Mexico (UNAM), Cuernavaca, Mex.

SOURCE: Curr. Adv. Androl., Proc. Int. Congr. Androl., 6th (1997), 165-170. Editor(s): Waites, Geoffrey M. H.; Frick, Julian; Baker, Gordon W. H.

Monduzzi Editore: Bologna, Italy.
CODEN: 66MSAS

DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference

LANGUAGE: English

AB Ion channel are key elements in the mammalian sperm acrosome reaction

(AR). Sperm are differentiated terminal cells unable to synthesize protein, and difficult to study electrophysiol. Using mol. biol. to learn about their ion channels requires spermatogenic cells were channel

proteins are being synthesized. These cells are larger than sperm and easier to patch clamp. We have looked for the expression of the ***alpha***. ***1*** genes, which code for the channel subunit of the various types of voltage-activated Ca²⁺ channels, in purified

spermatogenic cells with RT-PCR. We found that mainly alpha.1E mRNA is expressed, and increases during spermiogenesis. Interestingly, we only detected ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ currents in pachytene spermatocytes. Since these currents are blocked by Ni²⁺ and dihydropyridines, as is the ZP3 induced AR, it is likely that ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺ channels play a key role in the Ca²⁺ uptake required for mammalian sperm AR.

L6 ANSWER 84 OF 104 MEDLINE
ACCESSION NUMBER: 97059901 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97059901
TITLE: Structure, function and expression of Ca²⁺ channels.

AUTHOR: Kameyama A; Kameyama M
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, Faculty of Medicine, Kagoshima University, Japan.

SOURCE: NIPPON RINSHO. JAPANESE JOURNAL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE, (1996 Mar) 54 (3) 672-8. Ref. 17
Journal code: KIM. ISSN: 0047-1852.

PUB. COUNTRY: Japan
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
General Review; (REVIEW)
(REVIEW, TUTORIAL)

LANGUAGE: Japanese

ENTRY MONTH: 199705

ENTRY WEEK: 19970502

AB Structure, function and expression of voltage-dependent Ca²⁺ channels are reviewed. Ca²⁺ channels have been classified into one low-voltage

activated subtype (***T*** - ***type***) and at least 5 high-voltage activated subtypes (L, N, P, Q and R types), which are characterized by the sensitivity to specific blockers. Although L-type channel in skeletal muscle is shown to consist of ***alpha1***, alpha2/delta, beta, gamma subunits, it is not clear whether other subtypes have similar subunit structures. Cloning and functional expression of cDNA encoding ***alpha1*** subunits revealed existence of multiple genes and splicing variants. Thus, the diversity in the electrophysiological properties of Ca²⁺ channels in different tissues and developmental stages comes from, at least in part, the different molecular structure of the channels. Regulation of the expression of Ca²⁺ channels may be important for the elaborate control of cellular functions.

L6 ANSWER 85 OF 104 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:940123 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 124:3114
TITLE: Molecular biology of ***calcium*** ***channels***

AUTHOR(S): Perez-Reyes, Edward; Schneider, Toni
CORPORATE SOURCE: Medical Center, Loyola University, Maywood, IL, USA
SOURCE: Kidney Int. (1995), 48(4), 1111-24

CODEN: KDIYAS; ISSN: 0085-2538

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review
LANGUAGE: English

AB A review, with 156 refs. The mol. biol. of Ca²⁺ channels has its origins

in the biochem. characterization of the skeletal muscle dihydropyridine receptor. These studies established that the dihydropyridine receptor/channel complex was a multi-subunit complex composed of.

alpha. ***1*** (the ion-conducting subunit), and smaller accessory subunits (.alpha.2 .beta., and .gamma.).

These subunits were purified, sequenced, cloned, and expressed. Cloning of these cDNAs provided the probes to discover the mol. diversity of Ca²⁺ channels. To

date (Apr. 1995), genes for six .alpha.1s, four .beta.s, one .alpha.2, and one .gamma. have been cloned. Preliminary classification schemes divided

native ***calcium*** ***channels*** into low voltage-activated (***T*** - ***type***) and high voltage-activated types: L-type,

dihydropyridine-sensitive, and N-type, .omega.-conotoxin GVIA-sensitive.

The development of new toxins has led to the further subclassification of high voltage-activated channels to: P-type, which is blocked by

.omega.-agatoxin-IVA from the funnel-web spider *Agelenopsis aperta*, Q-type, which is blocked by

.omega.-conotoxin-MVIIC from the marine snail *Conus magus*; and R-type, which is resistant to most toxins. Expression

studies with cloned .alpha.1s have proven that this subunit dets. the voltage and pharmacol. sensitivity of the channel. This should allow the authors' to classify the cloned .alpha.1s in terms of their type.

Unfortunately these properties are affected by the choice of expression system, and the subunit compn. of the channel. Despite these complications, the six .alpha.1s have been classified as follows: three .alpha.1s (.alpha.1s, .alpha.1c, and .alpha.1D) belong

to the L-type (dihydropyridine-sensitive); α .1B is an N-type; α .1A is a P-type although it has also been classified as Q-type; and α .1E, which does not display any distinctive pharmacol., has been called an R-type (resistant). The authors will review the cloning, classification, tissue distribution, and functional expression of these $***\alpha***$. $***\alpha***$ subunits and the accessory subunits.

L6 ANSWER 86 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 31

ACCESSION NUMBER: 96018848 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96018848
TITLE: Voltage-dependent blockade of diverse types of

voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channels expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes by the Ca^{2+} channel antagonist mibepradil (Ro 40-5967).

AUTHOR: Bezprozvanny I; Tsien R W
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular and Cellular Physiology, Stanford

University Medical Center, California 94305, USA.

CONTRACT NUMBER: NS24067 (NINDS)
HL07740-02 (NHLBI)

SOURCE: MOLECULAR

PHARMACOLOGY, (1995 Sep) 48 (3) 540-9.

Journal code: NGR. ISSN: 0026-895X.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199601

AB Four different types of Ca^{2+} channel $***\alpha***$ $***\alpha***$ subunits,

representing the major classes of voltage-gated Ca^{2+} channels, were individually coexpressed along with alpha 2/delta and beta 2b subunits in

Xenopus oocytes. These subunits (and the encoded channel types and major tissues of origin) included alpha 1C (L-type, cardiac), alpha 1B (N-type, central nervous system), alpha 1A (P/Q-type, central nervous system), and alpha 1E (most likely R-type, central nervous system). Divalent cation

currents through these channels (5 mM Ba^{2+}) were evaluated with the

two-microelectrode voltage-clamp technique. The expressed channels were compared with regard to their responses to a structurally novel,

nondihydropyridine compound, mibepradil (Ro 40-5967). In the micromolar

concentration range, this drug exerted clear inhibitory effects on each of

the four channel types, reducing divalent cation current at all test

potentials, with the non-L-type channels being more sensitive to

inhibition than the L-type channels under fixed experimental conditions.

For all channel types, mibepradil was a much more effective inhibitor at

more depolarized holding potentials, suggesting tighter binding of the

drug to the inactivated state than to the resting state. The difference in

apparent affinities of resting and inactivated states of the channels,

calculated based on a modulated receptor hypothesis, was 30-70-fold. In

addition, the time course of decay of Ca^{2+} channel current was accelerated

in the presence of drug, consistent with open channel block. The effect of

increasing stimulation frequency was tested for

L-type channels and was found to greatly enhance the degree of inhibition by mibepradil,

consistent with promotion of block by channel opening and inactivation.

Allowing for state-dependent interactions, the drug concentrations found to block L-, N-, Q-, and R-type channels by 50% are at least 10-fold higher than half-blocking levels previously reported for $***\text{T}***$ - $***\text{type}***$ channels in vascular smooth muscle cells under similar experimental conditions. This may help explain the ability of the drug to spare working myocardium (strongly negative resting potential, dominance of L-type channels in their resting state) while reducing contraction in blood vessels (presumably involving $***\text{T}***$ - $***\text{type}***$ channels or partially inactivated L-type channels). Thus, mibepradil is a new addition to the family of nonselective organic Ca^{2+} channel inhibitors, as exemplified by bepridil and fluspirilene, and may prove useful as an experimental tool for studying diverse physiological events initiated by Ca^{2+} influx. It complements classes of drugs with relatively selective effects on L-type channels, as exemplified by nifedipine and diltiazem.

L6 ANSWER 87 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 32

ACCESSION NUMBER: 95378936 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95378936

TITLE: Skeletal muscle DHP receptor mutations alter calcium currents in human hypokalaemic periodic paralysis myotubes

[published erratum appears in *J Physiol (Lond)* 1998 May 1;508(Pt 3):955].

AUTHOR: Sipos I; Jurkat-Rott K; Harasztsosi C; Fontaine B; Kovacs L; Melzer W; Lehmann-Horn F

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Applied Physiology, University of Ulm, Germany.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY, (1995 Mar 1) 483 (Pt 2) 299-306.

Journal code: JQV. ISSN: 0022-3751.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199512

AB 1. Mutations in the gene encoding the $***\alpha***$ $***\alpha***$ subunit

of the skeletal muscle dihydropyridine (DHP) receptor are responsible for familial hypokalaemic periodic paralysis (HypoPP), an autosomal dominant

muscle disease. We investigated myotubes cultured from muscle of patients with arginine-to-histidine substitutions in putative voltage sensors, IIS4

(R528H) and IVS4 (R1239H), of the DHP receptor $***\alpha***$ $***\alpha***$ -subunit. 2. Analysis of the messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA) in the

myotubes from such patients indicated transcription from both the normal and mutant genes. 3. In control myotubes, the existence of the slow L-type

current and of two rapidly activating and inactivating calcium current components ($***\text{T}***$ - $***\text{type}***$ with a maximum at about -20 mV and

'third type' with a maximum at +10 to +20 mV) was confirmed. In the

myotubes from patients with either mutation, the third-type current component was seen more frequently and, on average, with larger amplitude.

4. In myotubes with the IVS4 mutation (R1239H) the maximum L-type current

density was smaller than control (-0.53 +/- 0.31 vs. -1.41 +/- 0.71 pA pF-1). The voltage dependence of activation was normal, and

hyperpolarizing prepulses to -120 mV for 20 s did

not increase the reduced current amplitude during test pulses. 5. In myotubes with the IIS4 mutation (R528H) the L-type current-voltage relation, determined at a holding potential of -90 mV, was normal. However, the voltage dependence of inactivation was shifted by about 40 mV to more negative potentials (voltage at half-maximum inactivation, $V_{1/2}$ = -41.5 +/- 8.2 vs. -4.9 +/- 4.3 mV in normal controls). (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 250 WORDS)

L6 ANSWER 88 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 33

ACCESSION NUMBER: 95139756 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95139756

TITLE: Tetrandrine: a new ligand to block voltage-dependent Ca^{2+} and $\text{Ca}^{(+)}\text{-activated K}^{+}$ channels.

AUTHOR: Wang G; Lemos J R

CORPORATE SOURCE: Neurobiology Group, Worcester Foundation for Experimental

Biology, Shrewsbury, MA 01545.

CONTRACT NUMBER: NS29470 (NINDS)

SOURCE: LIFE SCIENCES, (1995) 56 (5) 295-306. Ref: 83

Journal code: L62. ISSN: 0024-3205.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom

Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

General Review; (REVIEW)

(REVIEW, TUTORIAL)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199505

AB Extensive pharmacological investigations on tetrandrine, one of the traditional medicinal alkaloids, are reviewed.

Tetrandrine has been used

clinically in China for centuries in the treatment of many diseases. A recent series of studies has revealed major mechanisms underlying its

multiple pharmacological and therapeutic actions. One of the most interesting discoveries is that tetrandrine is a new kind blocker of the

voltage-activated, L-type Ca^{2+} channel in a variety of excitable cells, such as cardiac, GH3 anterior pituitary and neuroblastoma cells, as well

as in rat neurohypophyseal nerve terminals. Although tetrandrine does not belong to any of the three classical Ca^{2+} channel blocker groups, electrophysiological and radioligand binding studies show that tetrandrine

is an L-type Ca^{2+} channel blocker with its binding site located at the benzothiazepine receptor on the $***\alpha***$ $***\alpha***$ -subunit of the

channel. In addition, tetrandrine is a blocker of the voltage-dependent $***\text{T}***$ - $***\text{type}***$ Ca^{2+} channel. It is clear that tetrandrine's actions in the treatment of cardiovascular diseases, including

hypertension and supraventricular arrhythmia, are due primarily to its blocking of voltage-activated L-type and $***\text{T}***$ - $***\text{type}***$ Ca^{2+} channels. Furthermore, this alkaloid is a potent blocker of the

$\text{Ca}^{(+)}$ -activated K^{+} ($\text{K}(\text{Ca})$) channels of neurohypophyseal nerve terminals.

The blocking kinetics of tetrandrine on the $\text{K}(\text{Ca})$ channel is quite different from that of typical $\text{K}(\text{Ca})$ channel blockers such as

tetraethylammonium and Ba^{2+} . Although the clinical role of tetrandrine as a blocker of the $\text{K}(\text{Ca})$ channels is unclear, it is a promising ligand for

the study of $\text{K}(\text{Ca})$ channel function.

L6 ANSWER 89 OF 104 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 95406758 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95406758
TITLE: Altered calcium currents in human hypokalemic periodic paralysis myotubes expressing mutant L-type ***calcium*** ***channels***.

AUTHOR: Lehmann-Horn F; Sipos I; Jurkat-Rott K; Heine R; Brinkmeier H; Fontaine B; Kovacs L; Melzer W
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Applied Physiology, University of Ulm, Germany.

SOURCE: SOCIETY OF GENERAL PHYSIOLOGISTS SERIES, (1995) 50 101-13.
Journal code: UU2. ISSN: 0094-7733.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199512

AB In a genome-wide search, linkage of hypokalemic periodic paralysis (HypoPP), a muscle disease with autosomal dominant inheritance, to chromosome 1q31-32 and cosegregation with the gene encoding the L-type ***calcium*** ***channel*** /DHP receptor ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit has been reported (Fontaine et al., 1994).

Here we show the extended haplotypes of a large HypoPP family who made the detection of the gene product possible. Sequencing of cDNA synthesized from RNA isolated

from muscle specimens of two affected family members revealed a G-to-A transition of nucleotide 3716. This base exchange predicts a substitution of histidine for arginine 1239 located in segment IVS4 of the channel protein. By restriction fragment analysis, the mutation was detected in the genomic DNA of all affected family members.

Myotubes cultured from the muscle specimens also revealed the mutation suggesting the expression of mutant L-type ***calcium*** ***channel*** /DHP receptors.

Whole-cell recordings of 20 such myotubes showed a strong reduction of the DHP sensitive, slowly activating and inactivating

L-type current density to 30% of the current in normal controls. A rapidly activating and inactivating current component (third-type), which is distinct from the also occurring ***T*** - ***type*** current, was increased. We conclude that HypoPP is a disease of the skeletal muscle DHP receptor. The point mutation in repeat IV of the protein may have a similar effect as drugs which downregulate the channel activity by binding to this domain.

L6 ANSWER 90 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 34

ACCESSION NUMBER: 95088934 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95088934

TITLE: The Ca(++)-channel blocker Ro 40-5967 blocks differently ***T*** - ***type*** and L-type

Ca++ channels.
AUTHOR: Mehrke G; Zong X G; Flockerzi V; Hofmann F
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut fur Pharmakologie und Toxikologie, Technischen Universitat Munchen, Germany.
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (1994 Dec) 271 (3) 1483-8.
Journal code: JP3. ISSN: 0022-3565.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199503

AB The effects of Ro 40-5967, a nondihydropyridine Ca++ channel blocker, on

low-voltage activated (***T*** - ***type***) and high-voltage activated (L-type) Ca++ channels were compared. L-type barium currents were measured in Chinese hamster ovary cells stably transfected with the ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit of the class Cb Ca++ channel. ***T*** - ***type*** barium currents were investigated in human medullary thyroid carcinoma cells. The Ba++ currents of human medullary thyroid carcinoma cells were transient, activated at a threshold potential of -50 mV with the maximum at -14 +/- 3.2 mV and blocked by micromolar Ni++. The T- and L-type current inactivated with time constants of 33.4 +/- 4.1 and 416 +/- 26 msec at maximum barium currents, respectively. Ro 40-5967 inhibited reversibly the T- and L-type currents with IC50 values of 2.7 and 18.6 microM, respectively. The inhibition of the L-type current was voltage-dependent, whereas that of the ***T*** - ***type*** current was not. Ro 40-5967 blocked ***T*** - ***type*** current already at a holding potential of -100 mV. The different types of block, i.e., voltage-dependent vs. tonic block, may contribute to the pharmacological profile of Ro 40-5967 in intact animals.

L6 ANSWER 91 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 35
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95088917 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95088917
TITLE: Effects of a new class of calcium antagonists, SR33557 (fantofarone) and SR33805, on neuronal voltage-activated Ca++ channels.

AUTHOR: Romeo G; Lazdunski M
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Pharmacologie Moleculaire et Cellulaire, Valbonne, France.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (1994 Dec) 271 (3) 1348-52.
Journal code: JP3. ISSN: 0022-3565.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
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LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199503

AB SR33557 (fantofarone) and SR33805 are structurally novel calcium antagonists that bind selectively to the ***alpha*** ***1*** -subunit of the L-type Ca++ channel at a site distinct from the classical 1,4-dihydropyridine, phenylalkylamine and benzothiazepine sites but in

allosteric interactions with them. Blocking effects of fantofarone and SR33805 on the different types of voltage-activated Ca++ currents have been investigated with the whole-cell patch-clamp method in chick dorsal root ganglion neurons (for T-, L- and N-type currents) and in rat cerebellar Purkinje neurons (for P-type current) in primary culture.

Neuronal L-type Ca++ channels are blocked totally by fantofarone and SR33805 in the microM range of concentration as in skeletal muscle and

cardiac cells at a holding membrane potential of -80 mV. The sequence of efficacy is SR33805 (IC50 = 26 nM) > fantofarone (IC50 = 0.35 microM). N- and P-type channels are not very sensitive to fantofarone and SR33805 (IC50 approximately 5 microM). The ***T*** - ***type*** channel is not affected by these drugs.

L6 ANSWER 92 OF 104 SCISEARCH

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 95:50757 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: PZ357

TITLE: MOLECULAR DIVERSITY OF ***CALCIUM*** ***CHANNELS*** - FROM GENE TO FUNCTION

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FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: French

REFERENCE COUNT: No References Keyed
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB Recent studies have revealed the molecular and functional diversity of

voltage-gated ***calcium*** ***channels*** Electrophysiological and pharmacological experiments on various cell types have provided a way of characterizing a Low Voltage Activated (LVA) or ***T*** - ***type***, and several High Voltage Activated (HVA) ***calcium*** ***channels***

LVA Ca2+ channels have fast kinetics and no specific ligands while HVA Ca2+ channels have been identified mainly by the use of specific toxins, and named L, N, P and Q. They are blocked by dihydropyridines, omega-CgT-GVIA, omega-Aga-IVA and omega-CmT-MVIIC, respectively. Biochemical studies have revealed that skeletal muscle Ca2+

channels are composed of a pore-forming ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit and several associated subunits (alpha 2-delta, beta and gamma). Several ***alpha*** ***1*** subunits have been cloned from various tissues and are encoded by at least six genes. Their expression in Xenopus

oocytes or in mammalian cells induces ***calcium*** ***channel*** currents, the properties of which seem to correspond to the different Ca2+ channels identified in various cells. However, it has been suggested that further diversity may be provided by the addition of auxiliary subunits and particularly the beta subunits which are thought to be associated to

most of the ***alpha*** ***1*** subunits. Beta subunits encoded by at least four genes (beta 1, beta 2, beta 3, beta 4) expressed in the nervous system and other tissues enhance Ca2+ channel activity and are able to modify both electrophysiological and pharmacological properties.

However, a differential effect on calcium current inactivation has been observed between the different isoforms (beta 1, beta 2, beta 3) and their splice variants (beta 1a, beta 1b) indicating that multiple Ca2+ channel gating may arise from the expression of different subtypes of beta

subunits. The implication of Ca2+ channels in pathophysiology has been recently suggested and the genes coding for ***alpha*** ***1*** or beta subunits are potential candidates in some pathologies. Several autoimmune diseases have also been suggested to involve Ca2+ channels as the targets for antibodies. Moreover, the functional diversity of neuronal Ca2+ channel offers new perspectives in the

development of drugs for the treatment of neurologic disorders.

L6 ANSWER 93 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 37

ACCESSION NUMBER: 95055196 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95055196

TITLE: The L-type ***calcium***

channel current is increased by ***alpha*** - ***1*** adrenoceptor

activation in neonatal rat ventricular cells.

AUTHOR: Liu Q Y; Karpinski E; Pang P K
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (1994 Nov) 271 (2) 935-43.

Journal code: JP3. ISSN: 0022-3565.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199502

AB The activation of ***alpha*** - ***1*** adrenoceptors in adult rat

ventricular cells results in the reduction of the transient outward K⁺

current, but does not affect Ca⁺⁺ currents. In this study, using neonatal

rat ventricular cells, the ***alpha*** - ***1*** adrenergic receptor

agonist phenylephrine increased the long-lasting (L-type) Ca⁺⁺ channel

current (dihydropyridine-sensitive) and the increase was

concentration-dependent. Phenylephrine did not, however, modulate the transient-type (***T*** - ***type***) Ca⁺⁺ channel current. The

alpha - ***1*** effect of phenylephrine was reversed or

abolished by prazosin, an ***alpha*** - ***1*** antagonist. The

alpha-2 agonist clonidine had no effect on the L-type current. Yohimbine, an alpha-2 antagonist, and propranolol, a beta

antagonist, did not inhibit

the effect of phenylephrine on L-type current. The effect of phenylephrine

was abolished by pretreatment with WB4101, an alpha-1A antagonist, but not

by chloroethylclonidine, an alpha-1B antagonist. In addition,

norepinephrine also increased the L-type current in the presence of

propranolol and this effect was reversed by washout. These observations

suggest that phenylephrine increased the L-type Ca⁺⁺ channel current

specifically through the activation of alpha-1A adrenergic receptors in

neonatal rat ventricular myocytes. This may explain in part the increase

in the plateau phase of the action potential and the positive inotropic

response of the neonatal myocardium to phenylephrine. This is the first

description of an increase in L-type Ca⁺⁺ current by

alpha-1A adrenoceptor

activation in neonatal rat ventricular myocytes, and

this effect is

different from that reported in adult rat myocytes.

L6 ANSWER 94 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 38

ACCESSION NUMBER: 94354258 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 94354258

TITLE: ***Calcium*** ***channels***

in excitable cells:

divergent genotypic and phenotypic

expression of

alpha - ***1*** - subunits.

AUTHOR: Lievano A; Bolden A; Horn R

CORPORATE SOURCE: Roche Institute of Molecular Biology, Nutley, New Jersey 07110.

SOURCE: AMERICAN JOURNAL OF

PHYSIOLOGY, (1994 Aug) 267 (2 Pt 1)

C411-24.

Journal code: 3U8. ISSN: 0002-9513.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199412

AB The Ba²⁺ currents and mRNA levels of four

members of the rat brain family

of ***alpha*** - ***1*** - subunit Ca²⁺

channel genes were examined

and compared in the rat cell lines GH3 and PC-12

and in the mouse lines

NIE-115 and AT-20. The RNA was measured with

ribonuclease protection

assays using probes derived from rat brain (rb) Ca²⁺

channel cDNAs (rbA,

rbB, rbC, and rbD), and the Ba²⁺ currents were

studied by whole cell

patch-clamp recording. L-, N-, P-, and ***T*** -

type currents

were discriminated by the voltage dependence and

pharmacological

properties of Ba²⁺ currents. All cell lines expressed

all four rat brain

Ca²⁺ channel genes, except GH3 cells, which lacked

rbB. The functional

diversity of Ba²⁺ currents, however, was quite

different among the cell

lines. GH3 cells showed evidence of L- and

T - ***type***

currents, undifferentiated PC-12 cells of L-type

currents, AT-20 cells of

L-, N-, and P-type currents, and undifferentiated

NIE-115 cells of a

T - ***type*** current that was partially

blocked by both

nifedipine and BAY K 8644. Dimethyl

sulfoxide-differentiated NIE-115 cells

also had an L-type current. Differentiation of

NIE-115 cells caused an

increase in the levels of rbB, rbC, and rbD RNAs.

Differentiation by nerve

growth factor caused an increase in levels of all four

genes in PC-12. Our

data give further support for the assignment of rbA,

rbB, and rbC/rbD gene

products as components of P-, N-, and L-type Ca²⁺

channels, respectively.

L6 ANSWER 95 OF 104 SCISEARCH

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 9548824 SCISEARCH

THE GENUINE ARTICLE: QA015

TITLE: TETRANDRINE - A NEW LIGAND TO BLOCK VOLTAGE-DEPENDENT CA²⁺ AND CA²⁺-ACTIVATED K⁺

CHANNELS

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SOURCE: LIFE SCIENCES, (23 DEC 1994)

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FILE SEGMENT: LIFE

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

REFERENCE COUNT: 81

*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE

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AB Extensive pharmacological investigations on

tetrandrine, one of the

traditional medicinal, alkaloids, are reviewed.

Tetrandrine has been used

clinically in China for centuries in the treatment of

many diseases. A

recent series of studies has revealed major

mechanisms underlying its

multiple pharmacological and therapeutic actions.

One of the most

interesting discoveries is that tetrandrine is a new

kind blocker of the

voltage-activated, L-type Ca²⁺ channel in a variety

of excitable cells,

such as cardiac, GH(3) anterior pituitary and

neuroblastoma cells, as well

as in rat neurohypophysis nerve terminals. Although tetrandrine does not

belong to any of the three classical Ca²⁺ channel

blocker groups,

electrophysiological and radioligand binding studies

show that tetrandrine

is an L-type Ca²⁺ channel blocker with its binding

site located at the

benzothiazepine receptor on the ***alpha*** -

1 - subunit of

the channel. In addition, tetrandrine is a blocker of

the

voltage-dependent ***T*** - ***type*** Ca²⁺

channel. It is clear

that tetrandrine's actions in the treatment of

cardiovascular diseases,

including hypertension and supraventricular

arrhythmia, are due primarily

to its blocking of voltage-activated L-type and

T - ***type***

Ca²⁺ channels. Furthermore, this alkaloid is a potent

blocker of the

Ca²⁺-activated K⁺ (K-(Ca)) channels of

neurohypophysis nerve terminals.

The blocking kinetics of tetrandrine on the K-(Ca)

channel is quite

different from that of typical K-(Ca) channel

blockers such as

tetraethylammonium and Ba²⁺. Although the clinical

role of tetrandrine as

a blocker of the K-(Ca) channels is unclear, it is a

promising ligand for

the study of K-(Ca) channel function.

L6 ANSWER 96 OF 104 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 40

ACCESSION NUMBER: 95121362 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95121362

TITLE: Effects of two chemically related new

Ca²⁺ channel

antagonists, SR33557 (fantofarone) and

SR33805, on the

L-type cardiac channel.

AUTHOR: Romeo G, Bois P, Lazdunski M

CORPORATE SOURCE: Institut de Pharmacologie

Moleculaire et Cellulaire, Sophia

Antipolis, Valbonne, France.

SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF

PHARMACOLOGY, (1994 Sep 22) 263 (1-2)

101-5.

Journal code: EN6. ISSN: 0014-2999.

PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

ENTRY MONTH: 199504

AB Fantofarone (SR33557) is a substituted indolizine and SR33805 is a

substituted indole. These drugs have been shown to

specifically bind to

the ***alpha*** - ***1*** subunit of the

L-type Ca²⁺ channel at the

same site, distinct from those of the classical

1,4-dihydropyridine,

phenylalkylamine or benzothiazepine Ca²⁺

antagonists, but in negative

allosteric interaction with them. The present work

shows that fantofarone

and SR33805 block L-type but not ***T*** -

type Ca²⁺ channels

in mouse cardiac cells in primary culture. This block

is

voltage-dependent. Fantofarone and SR33805 are

potent Ca²⁺ channel

blockers in depolarized conditions (i.e. at a holding

potential of -40 mV)

with an EC50 = 1.4 and 4.1 nM, respectively. In

polarized conditions (i.e.

at a holding potential of -80 mV), SR33805 is a

better Ca²⁺ channel

blocker (EC50 = 33 nM) than fantofarone (EC50 =

0.15 microM). Therefore

differences in their chemical structures make the

blocking action of

fantofarone more sensitive to voltage than that of

SR33805.

L6 ANSWER 97 OF 104 MEDLINE

ACCESSION NUMBER: 93308850 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 93308850
TITLE: Molecular structure and functional sites of the cardiac
calcium ***channels*** .
AUTHOR: Nakayama H
CORPORATE SOURCE: Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Hokkaido University..
SOURCE: NIPPON RINSHO. JAPANESE JOURNAL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE, (1993 Jun) 51 (6) 1471-6. Ref: 16
Journal code: KIM. ISSN: 0047-1852.
PUB. COUNTRY: Japan
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
General Review; (REVIEW)
(REVIEW, TUTORIAL)
LANGUAGE: Japanese
ENTRY MONTH: 199310
AB Voltage gated L-type and ***T*** .
type ***calcium***
channels are electrophysiologically characterized in the cardiac tissues. L-Type ***calcium*** ***channels*** are abundant in skeletal muscle and results from molecular studies have stimulated researches on the cardiac counterpart. This paper briefly reviews the recent progress in molecular constituents and functional sites of the cardiac ***calcium*** ***channel*** . The channel is composed of five subunits, ***alpha*** ***1***, alpha 2, beta, gamma, and delta, at least, but heterogeneous existence of ***alpha*** ***1*** , beta, and gamma is also observed. The 1,4-dihydropyridine binding site has been identified in the skeletal muscle and cardiac ***calcium*** ***channels*** by photoaffinity labeling. Their sites are compared in the primary structures. PKA modulation of the cardiac channel is also discussed with the respect to phosphorylation site.

L6 ANSWER 98 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 41
ACCESSION NUMBER: 94150810 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 94150810
TITLE: Distinctive pharmacology and kinetics of cloned neuronal Ca2+ channels and their possible counterparts in mammalian CNS neurons.
AUTHOR: Zhang J F; Randall A D; Ellinor P T; Horne W A; Sather W A; Tanabe T; Schwarz T L; Tsien R W
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular and Cellular Physiology, Stanford University Medical Center, CA 94305.
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM42376 (NIGMS)
NS24067 (NINDS)
SOURCE: NEUROPHARMACOLOGY, (1993 Nov) 32 (11) 1075-88. Ref: 40
Journal code: NZB. ISSN: 0028-3908.
PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
General Review; (REVIEW)
(REVIEW, TUTORIAL)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199405
AB This paper provides a brief overview of the diversity of voltage-gated Ca2+ channels and our recent work on neuronal Ca2+ channels with novel pharmacological and biophysical properties that distinguish them from L, N, P or ***T*** - ***type*** channels. The Ca2+ channel ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit known as alpha 1A or BI [Mori Y., Friedrich T., Kim M.-S., Mikami A., Nakai J., Ruth P., Bosse E., Hofmann F., Flockerzi V., Furuchi T., Mikoshiba K., Imoto K., Tanabe T. and Numa S. (1991) Nature 350, 398-402] is generally assumed to encode the P-type

Ca2+ channel. However, we find that alpha 1A expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes differs from P-type channels in its kinetics of inactivation and its degree of sensitivity to block by the peptide toxins omega-Aga-IVA and omega-CTx-MVIIC [Sather W. A., Tanabe T., Zhang J.-F., Mori Y., Adams M. E. and Tsien R. W. (1993) *Neuron* 11, 291-303]. Thus, alpha 1A is capable of generating a Ca2+ channel with characteristics quite distinct from P-type channels. Doe-1, recently cloned from the forebrain of a marine ray, is another ***alpha*** ***1*** subunit which exemplifies a different branch of the Ca2+ channel family tree [Horne W. A., Ellinor P. T., Inman I., Zhou M., Tsien R. W. and Schwarz T. L. (1993) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 90, 3787-3791]. When expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes, doe-1 forms a high voltage-activated (HVA) Ca2+ channel [Ellinor P. T., Zhang J.-F., Randall A. D., Zhou M., Schwarz T. L., Tsien R. W. and Horne W. (1993) *Nature* 363, 455-458]. It inactivates more rapidly than any previously expressed ***calcium*** ***channel*** and is not blocked by dihydropyridine antagonists or omega-Aga-IVA. Doe-1 current is reduced by omega-CTx-GVIA, but the inhibition is readily reversible and requires micromolar toxin, in contrast to this toxin's potent and irreversible block of N-type channels. Doe-1 shows considerable sensitivity to block by Ni2+ or Cd2+. We have identified components of Ca2+ channel current in rat cerebellar granule neurons with kinetic and pharmacological features similar to alpha 1A and doe-1 in oocytes [Randall A. D., Wendland B., Schweizer F., Miljanich G., Adams M. E. and Tsien R. W. (1993) *Soc. Neurosci. Abstr.* 19, 1478]. The doe-1-like component (R-type current) inactivates much more quickly than L, N or P-type channels, and also differs significantly in its pharmacology (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 400 WORDS)

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994:431912 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 121:31912
TITLE: Retinol stimulates amino acid transport in Sertoli cell by a Ca2+ related mechanism
AUTHOR(S): Wassermann, G. F.; Silva, F. R. M. B.; Grillo, M. L.; Loss, E. S.; Leite, L.; von Ledebur, E. I. C. F.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Inst. de Biocienc., Univ. Fed. do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brazil
SOURCE: Med. Sci. Res. (1993), 21(11), 437-8
CODEN: MSCREJ; ISSN: 0269-8951
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English
AB Retinol stimulated the transport of ***alpha*** .-***1*** -14C]-methylaminoisobutyric acid by Sertoli cells in culture or in Sertoli cell-enriched testis of immature rat. This effect was mediated by voltage-dependent Ca2+ channels, probably of the ***T*** - ***type*** .

L6 ANSWER 100 OF 104 MEDLINE
ACCESSION NUMBER: 94033707 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 94033707
TITLE: Crooked neck dwarf (cn) mutant chicken skeletal muscle cells in low density primary cultures fail to

express normal alpha ryanodine receptor and exhibit a partial mutant phenotype.
AUTHOR: Airey J A; Deerinck T J; Ellisman M H; Hounou L J; Ivanenko A; Kenyon J L; McKemy D D; Sutko J L
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pharmacology, University of Nevada School of Medicine, Reno 89557.
CONTRACT NUMBER: RR04050 (NCRR)
SOURCE: DEVELOPMENTAL DYNAMICS, (1993 Jul) 197 (3) 189-202.
Journal code: A9U. ISSN: 1058-8388.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 199402
AB The Crooked Neck Dwarf (cn) mutation in chickens causes marked changes in intact embryonic skeletal muscle. We have investigated whether the cn/cn phenotype develops in vitro, and if cultured muscle cells are suitable for studies of this mutation. The properties of cn/cn muscle cells maintained in low density primary cultures (6.25 x 10(3) cells/cm2) are described in this report. In normal muscle cells, the alpha ryanodine receptor (RyR) isoform appears prior to, and at greater levels than, the beta RyR, and is detected in mononucleated myocytes. The beta RyR isoform appears within 24 hr after the initiation of myotube formation, which is earlier than anticipated from studies with intact embryonic muscle. Normal alpha RyR protein is not detected in cultured cn/cn muscle cells, whereas the beta RyR, the ***alpha*** ***1*** -subunit of the dihydropyridine receptor, the sarcoplasmic reticulum Ca(2+)-ATPase, and calsequestrin are expressed at comparable levels in normal and mutant muscle cells. Calcium transients elicited by electrical stimulation, acetylcholine, and caffeine are similar in normal and cn/cn cultured myotubes and are blocked by ryanodine in both cell types. In addition, comparable L- and ***T*** - ***type*** calcium currents are observed in normal and mutant muscle cells, suggesting that both the ***alpha*** ***1*** -subunit of the dihydropyridine receptor and the beta RyR in mutant muscle cells are functional. Normal and cn/cn muscle cells proliferate and form myotubes in a similar manner. These latter events do not appear to depend on sarcoplasmic reticulum calcium release, as they also occur in normal muscle cells in which calcium release is prevented by chronic treatment with 100 microM ryanodine. Both cn/cn and ryanodine-treated normal muscle cells exhibit morphological changes similar to those observed in intact cn/cn skeletal muscle. Thus, the mutant phenotype observed in ovo is partially expressed under low density culture conditions, and neither beta RyR protein nor its function appear to be capable of preventing the associated changes.

L6 ANSWER 101 OF 104 SCISEARCH
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 92:559744 SCISEARCH
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: JN810
TITLE: PROPERTIES OF THE LOW THRESHOLD CA CURRENT IN SINGLE FROG ATRIAL CARDIOMYOCYTES - A COMPARISON WITH THE HIGH THRESHOLD CA CURRENT

AUTHOR: ALVAREZ JL; VASSORT G
(Reprint)
CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV PARIS 11, UNITE
RECH PHYSIOL CELLULAIRE CARDIAQ,
INSERM, U241, BAT 443, F-91405
ORSAY, FRANCE; INST CARDIOL
& CIRUG CARDIOVASC,
ELECTROFISOL LAB, HAVANA 10600, CUBA
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: FRANCE; CUBA
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF GENERAL
PHYSIOLOGY, (SEP 1992) Vol. 100, No. 3,
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ISSN: 0022-1295.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Journal
FILE SEGMENT: LIFE
LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
REFERENCE COUNT: 68
*ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE
ALL AND IALL FORMATS*
AB The properties of the low threshold Ca current
(I(CaT)) in bullfrog
(Rana catesbeiana) isolated atrial cardiomyocytes
were studied using the
whole-cell recording patch-clamp technique and
compared with those of the
high threshold Ca current (I(CaL)). In 91% of atrial
cells we observed
both I(CaT) and I(CaL) when collagenase and
trypsin were used to
dissociate the cells. But when pronase was used,
only 30% of the cells
exhibited I(CaT). I(CaT) was never found in
ventricular cells. I(CaT)
could be investigated more easily when I(CaL) was
inhibited by Cd ions
(50-mu-M). Its kinetics were unchanged by
substituting Ba for Ca, or in
the presence of high concentrations of Ba. Both
I(CaT) and I(CaL)
exhibited reduced inactivation after high
depolarizing prepulses. I(CaT)
was found to be sensitive to dihydropyridines:
1-mu-M nifedipine decreased
this current while 1-mu-M BAY K 8644 increased it;
this occurred without
significant variations in the steady-state inactivation
curve. I(CaT) was
more sensitive than I(CaL) to ***alpha*** -
1 -adrenergic and
P2-purinergic stimulations, while I(CaL) was more
sensitive to
beta-adrenergic stimulation. Isoproterenol was still
able to increase
I(CaT) in the presence of high intracellular cAMP.
Both currents were
increased by 1-mu-M ouabain (although I(CaL) only
transiently) and
decreased by 10-mu-M ouabain. It is concluded that
the two types of Ca
channels can be observed in bullfrog atrial cells and
that they are
specifically altered by pharmacological agents and
neuromodulators. This
may have implications for cardiac behavior.

L6 ANSWER 102 OF 104 MEDLINE
DUPLICATE 42
ACCESSION NUMBER: 89130135 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89130135
TITLE: Modulation of ***calcium***
channels in
cardiac and neuronal cells by an
endogenous peptide.
AUTHOR: Callewaert G; Hanbauer I; Morad M
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology,
School of Medicine, University of
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 19104.
CONTRACT NUMBER: HL16152 (NHLBI)
SOURCE: SCIENCE, (1989 Feb 3) 243 (4891)
663-6.
Journal code: UJ7. ISSN: 0036-8075.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer
Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 198905
AB ***Calcium*** ***channels*** mediate
the generation of action

potentials, pacemaking, excitation-contraction
coupling, and secretion and
signal integration in muscle, secretory, and neuronal
cells. The
physiological regulation of the L-type
calcium ***channel***
is thought to be mediated primarily by guanine
nucleotide-binding proteins
(G proteins). A low molecular weight endogenous
peptide has been isolated
and purified from rat brain. This peptide regulates up
and down the
cardiac and neuronal ***calcium***
channels, respectively.
In cardiac myocytes, the peptide-induced
enhancement of the L-type calcium
current had a slow onset (half-time approximately 75
seconds), occurred
via a G protein-independent mechanism, and could
not be inhibited by
alpha ***1*** -adrenergic,
beta-adrenergic, or angiotensin II
blockers. In neuronal cells, on the other hand, the
negative effect had a
rapid onset (half-time less than 500 milliseconds)
and was observed on
both ***T*** - ***type*** and L-type
calcium
channels.

L6 ANSWER 103 OF 104 MEDLINE
ACCESSION NUMBER: 89301359 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89301359
TITLE: ***Calcium*** ***channels***
reconstituted from the
skeletal muscle dihydropyridine receptor
protein complex
and its ***alpha*** ***1*** peptide
subunit in
lipid bilayers.

AUTHOR: Pelzer D; Grant A O; Cavalie A;
Pelzer S; Sieber M; Hofmann
F; Trautwein W
CORPORATE SOURCE: II. Physiologisches Institut,
Medizinische Fakultat,
Universitat des Saarlandes, Homburg/Saar,
Federal Republic
of Germany.

SOURCE: ANNALS OF THE NEW YORK
ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, (1989) 560
138-54.
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PUB. COUNTRY: United States
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer
Journals
ENTRY MONTH: 198910
AB In the first part of this study, we show that sDHPR
and pDHPR preparations
reconstituted into lipid bilayers formed on the tips of
patch pipettes
exhibit two divalent cation-selective conductance
levels of 9 and 20 pS,
similar in single-channel conductance to VSCC
reported in a variety of
intact preparations (see Pelzer et al. and Tsien et al.
for review). The
larger conductance level is similar to the VSCC
identified in intact rat
t-tubule membranes and described in sDHPR and
pDHPR preparations, and
shares many properties in common with activity
from L-type VSCC. It is
sensitive to augmentation by the DHP agonist
(+/-)-BAY K 8644 and
cAMP-dependent phosphorylation, and to block by
the phenylalkylamine
(+/-)-D600 and the inorganic blocker CoCl2. Its
open-state probability and
open times are increased upon depolarization as
expected for a
voltage-dependent activation process. Upon
depolarization beyond the
reversal potential, however, open-state probability
and open times decline
again. A reasonable way to explain the bell-shaped
dependence of open
times and open-state probability on membrane

potential is to assume
voltage-dependent ion-pore interactions that produce
closing of the
channel at strong negative and positive membrane
potentials. By contrast,
the smaller conductance level may be similar to the
10.6-pS t-tubule VSCC
described by Rosenberg et al. and may best be
compared with ***T*** -
type VSCC. It is largely resistant to
augmentation by (+/-)-BAY K
8644 and cAMP-dependent phosphorylation or block
by (+/-)-D600, but is
sensitive to block by CoCl2. Its open times and
open-state probability
show a sole dependence on membrane potential
where depolarization
increases both parameters sigmoidally from close to
zero up to a
saturating level. Both elementary conductance levels
do not exhibit
significant inactivation over a wide potential range,
which may suggest
that skeletal muscle VSCC inactivation is either
poorly or not
voltage-dependent at all. This possibility seems in
agreement with bilayer
recordings on reconstituted intact t-tubule
membranes and voltage-clamp
recordings on intact fibers. It supports the idea that
the decline of Ca2+
current in intact skeletal muscle fibers may be due to
Ca2+ depletion from
the t-tubule system and/or to inactivation induced by
Ca2+ release from
the sarcoplasmic reticulum. We consistently observe
two conductance levels
of 9 and 20 pS, either singly, or together in the same
bilayer from
solubilized DHPR samples and even highly purified
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benzothiazepines,
diphenylbutylpiperidines, etc.) and the N-type
(occurring on neurons) is
blocked by the peptide toxin omega-conotoxin
GVIA, whereas the ***T***
- ***type*** (occurring on neurons and, for
example, heart cells) is
not modulated by 1,4-dihydropyridines but is
inhibited by gallopamil,
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reconstitution, and molecular
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alpha ***1*** sub-unit, have been
achieved with L-type Ca2+
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membranes. The
alpha ***1*** sub-unit is believed to
play a role in
excitation-contraction coupling in skeletal muscle.
L-type Ca2+ channel

activity in situ is regulated by hormone and neurotransmitter receptors
indirectly via second messengers (cyclic adenosine monophosphate) and
perhaps more directly via guanyl nucleotide signal transduction proteins.
L-type Ca²⁺ channel . ***alpha*** . ***1***
polypeptides similar in size to those in skeletal muscle have been identified in brain and heart
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